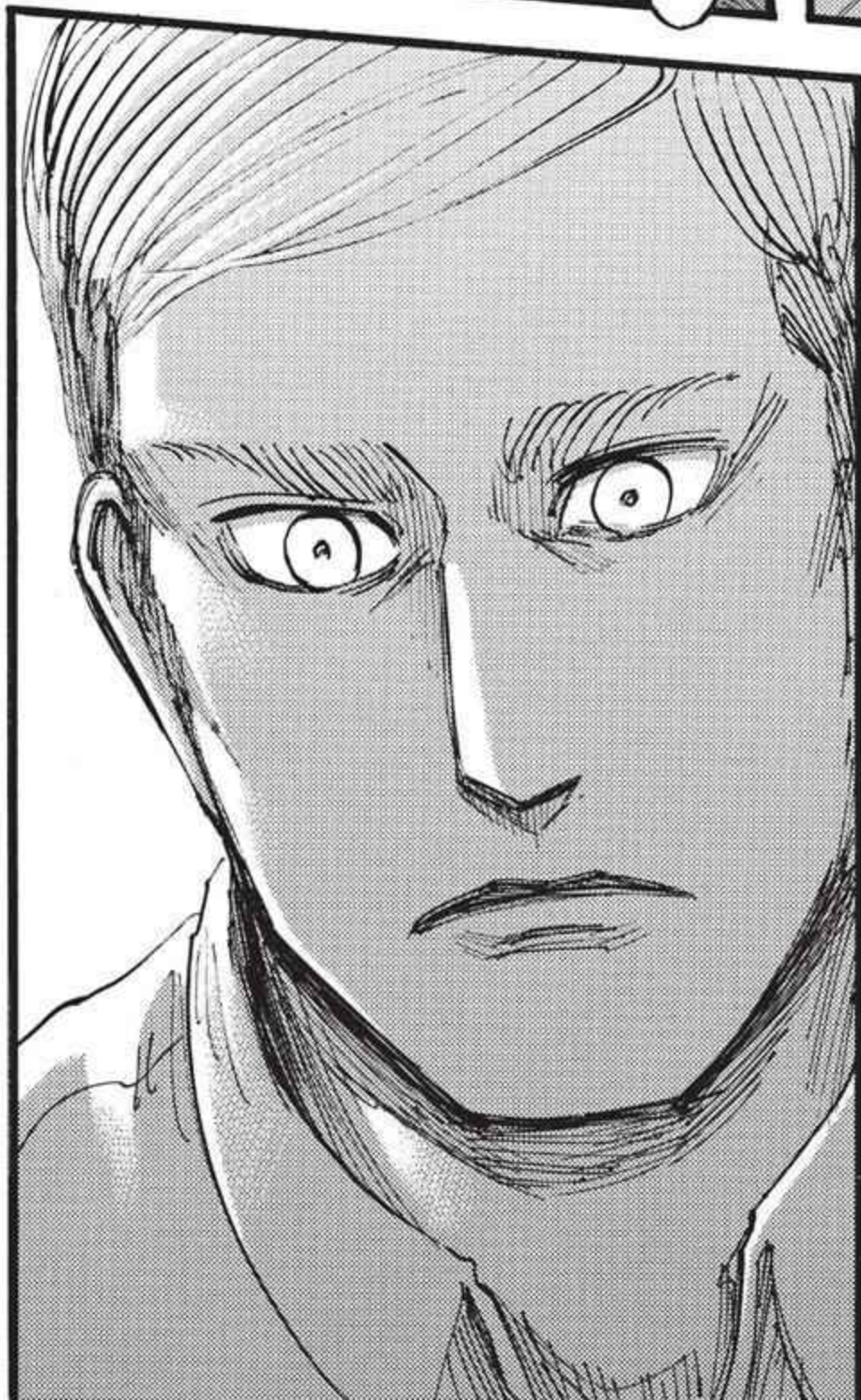




## Episode 57: Kenny the Ripper



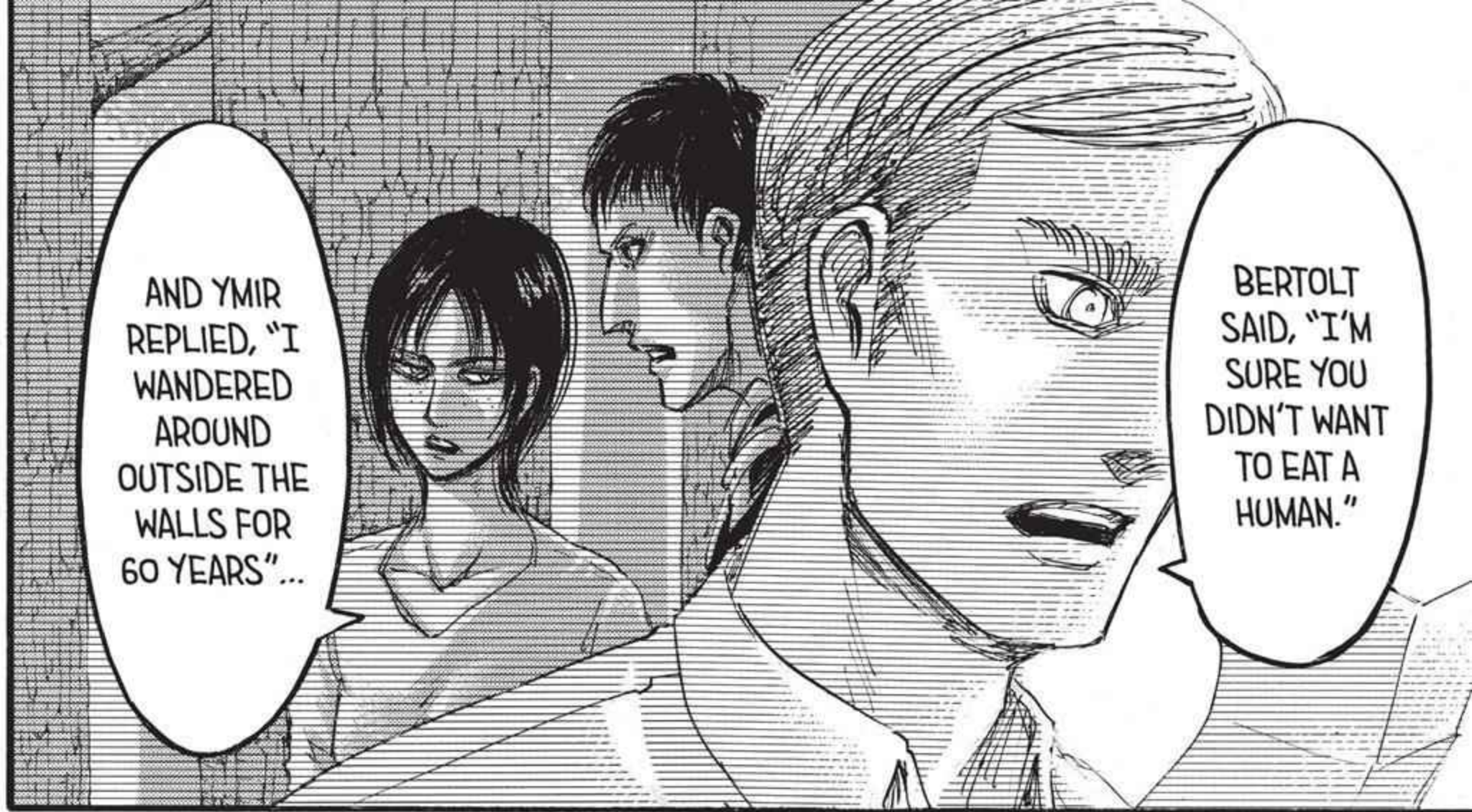












AND YMIR REPLIED, "I WANDERED AROUND OUTSIDE THE WALLS FOR 60 YEARS"...

BERTOLT SAID, "I'M SURE YOU DIDN'T WANT TO EAT A HUMAN."



...IT'S UN-IMAG-IN-ABLE.

BUT SHE SAID IT WAS LIKE A 60-YEAR-LONG NIGHT-MARE...



I DON'T KNOW IF SHE WAS FORCEFULLY TURNED INTO ONE LIKE THE PEOPLE OF RAGAKO VILLAGE, OR IF IT WAS SOMETHING ELSE...



...IN OTHER WORDS, YMIR MUST HAVE BEEN ONE OF THE TITANS WANDERING OUTSIDE OF THE WALLS.



BUT MAYBE THEY'RE SO CUTE IN PART BECAUSE OF THE PITY YOU FEEL FOR THEM...




ARE THESE WORDS THE FIRST EREN REMEMBERS YMIR SAYING?



THEY'RE STILL UNMISTAK-ABLY A THREAT TO HUMANITY...

IT'S NOT LIKE THEY WANT TO WALK AROUND NAKED AND EAT HUMAN BEINGS.






YOU CAN PROBABLY INFER FROM THIS THAT YMIR ATE ONE OF BERTOLT, REINER, OR ANNIE'S FRIENDS.



HIS MEMORIES START WITH HER SAYING, "DO YOU HATE ME FOR IT?"

YES ...



BUT IF YMIR ATE ONE OF REINER'S COMRADES... WHOEVER IT WAS COULD PROBABLY TRANSFORM INTO A TITAN.




...SO WE KNOW EATING A HUMAN WON'T TURN A TITAN BACK INTO ONE.



WE'VE SEEN COUNTLESS PEOPLE GET EATEN BY TITANS...

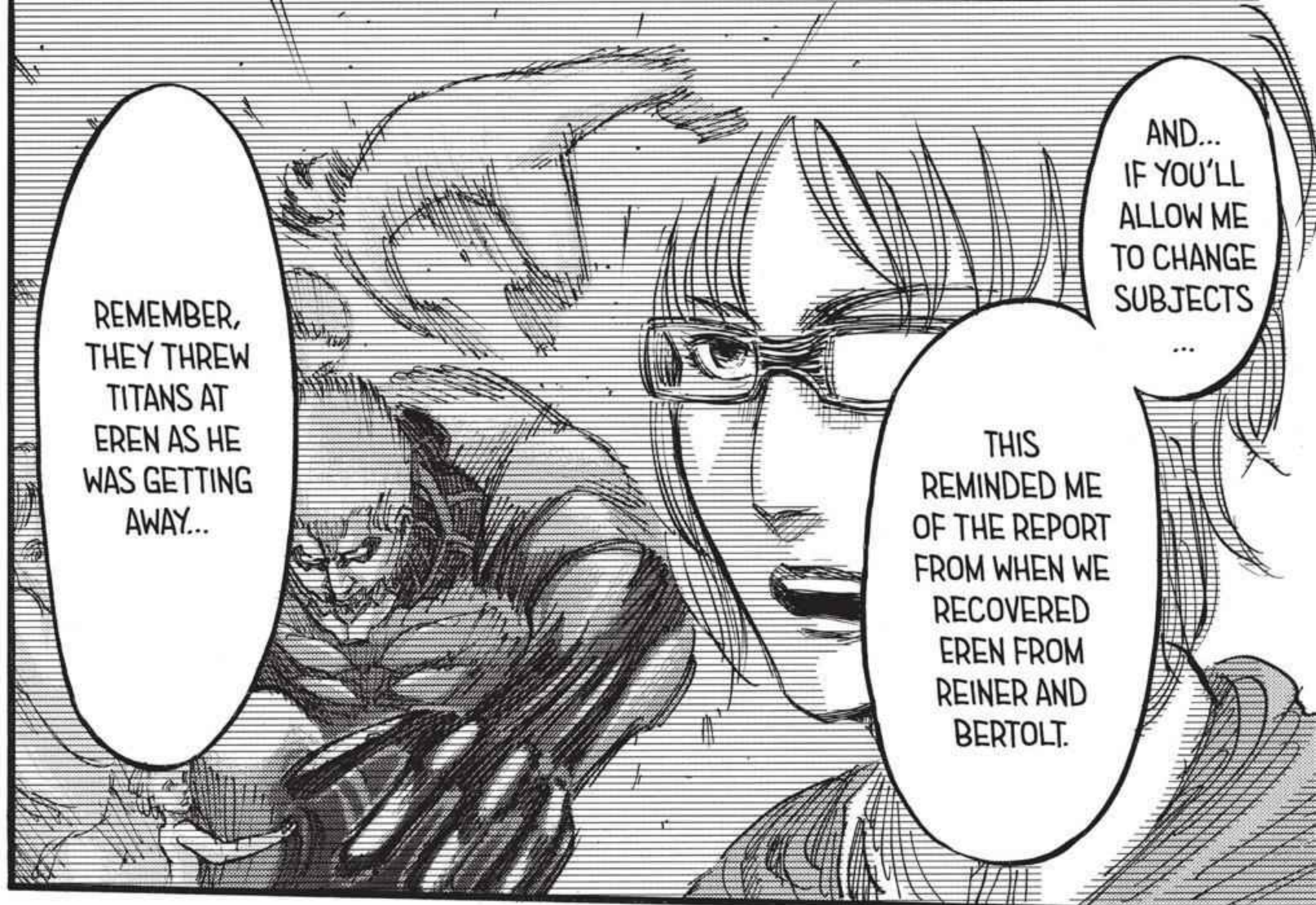


OR TO BE MORE PRECISE, THEY GAIN THEIR ABILITY TO CONTROL THEIR TITAN TRANSFORMATION.



IN OTHER WORDS, IF A HUMAN WHO HAS BEEN TURNED INTO A TITAN EATS A HUMAN WHO CAN TRANSFORM INTO A TITAN, THEY TURN BACK INTO A HUMAN.





REMEMBER,  
THEY THREW  
TITANS AT  
EREN AS HE  
WAS GETTING  
AWAY...

AND...  
IF YOU'LL  
ALLOW ME  
TO CHANGE  
SUBJECTS  
...

THIS  
REMINDED ME  
OF THE REPORT  
FROM WHEN WE  
RECOVERED  
EREN FROM  
REINER AND  
BERTOLT.



COULDN'T IT  
HAVE BEEN TO  
HAVE ANOTHER  
TITAN EAT  
EREN?

I  
REALLY  
HAD TO  
THINK  
ABOUT  
THEIR  
GOAL.

THEY HAD TRIED  
SO HARD TO STEAL  
EREN AWAY, SO WHY  
WOULD THEY  
SUDDENLY TRY TO  
KILL HIM?



THEN  
MAYBE THE  
"SCREAM"  
THEY  
WANT FROM  
EREN  
WORKS IN  
THE SAME  
WAY.

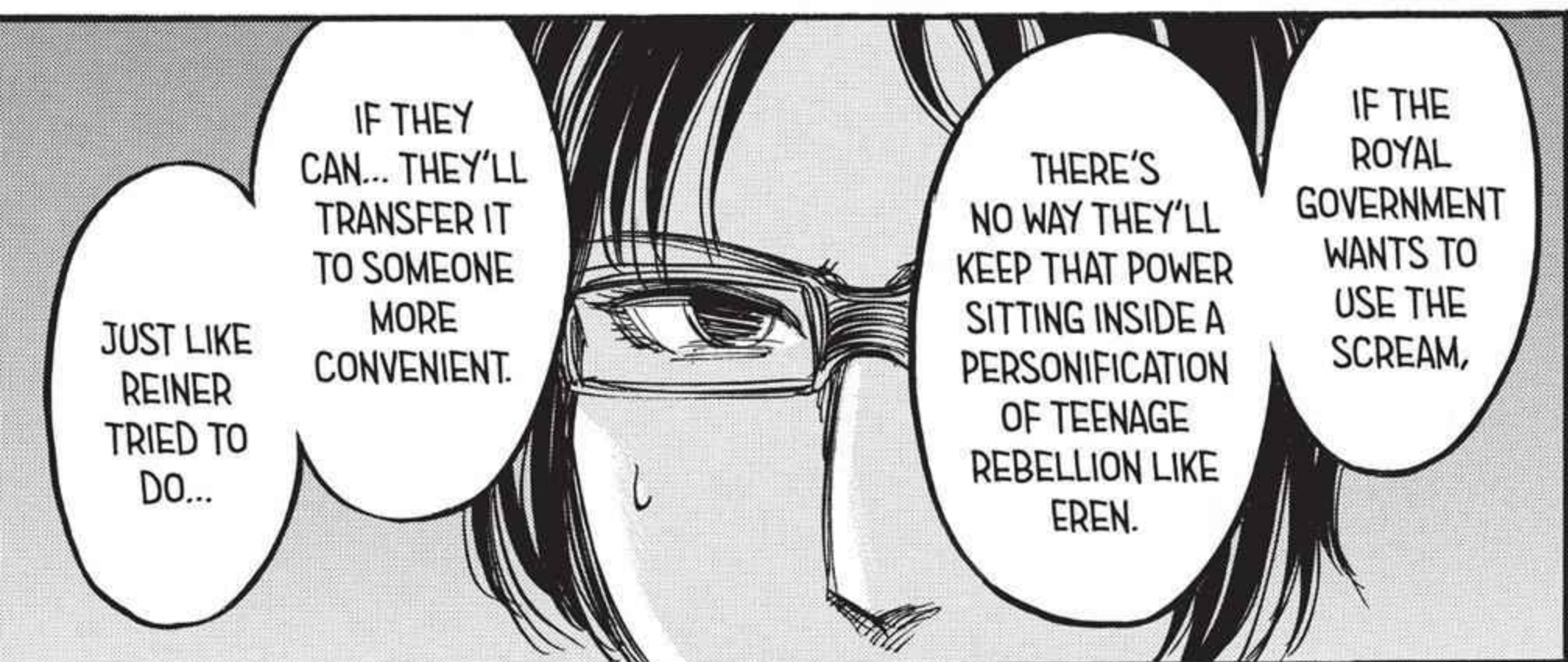
IF THE  
ABILITY TO  
TRANSFORM  
CAN BE  
TRANSFERRED  
BY  
EATING...





HE'S  
INTER-  
CHANGEABLE  
TO THEM.

IN THAT  
CASE, EREN  
IS JUST A  
VESSEL.



JUST LIKE  
REINER  
TRIED TO  
DO...

IF THEY  
CAN... THEY'LL  
TRANSFER IT  
TO SOMEONE  
MORE  
CONVENIENT.

THERE'S  
NO WAY THEY'LL  
KEEP THAT POWER  
SITTING INSIDE A  
PERSONIFICATION  
OF TEENAGE  
REBELLION LIKE  
EREN.

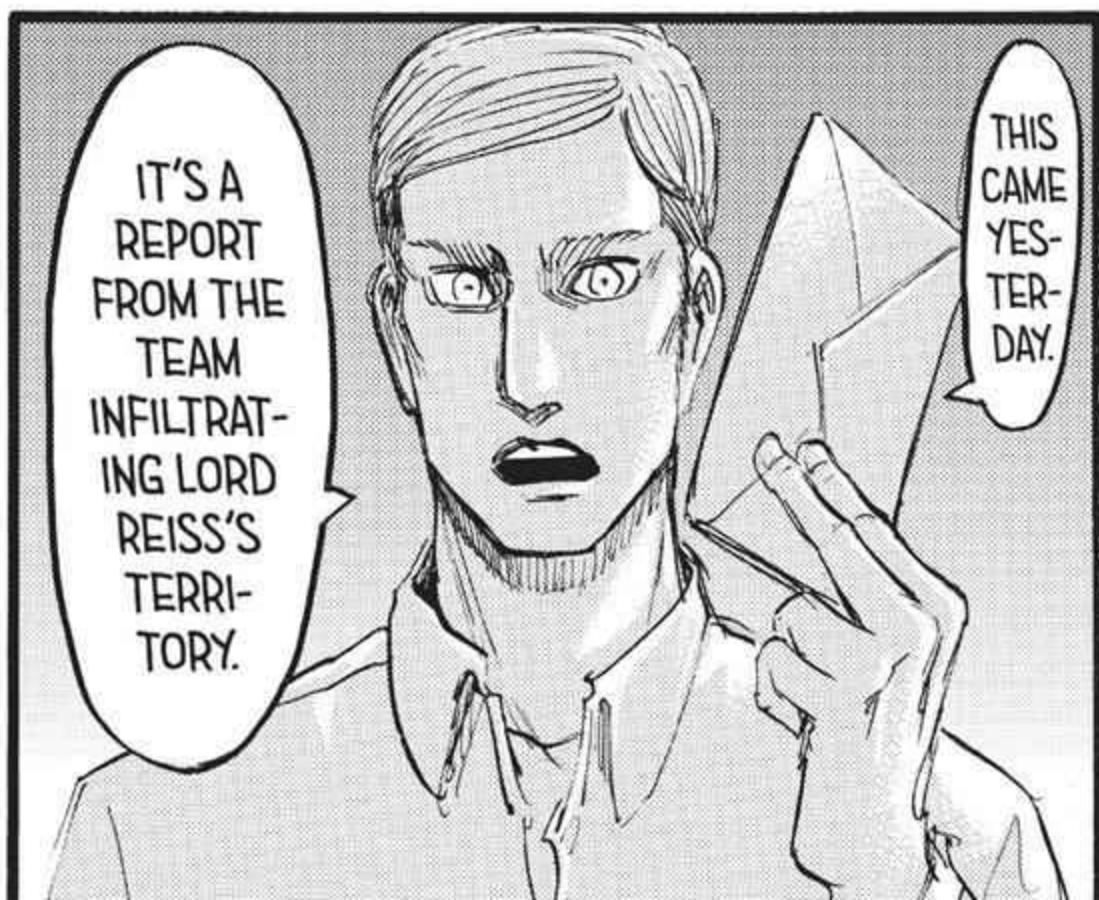
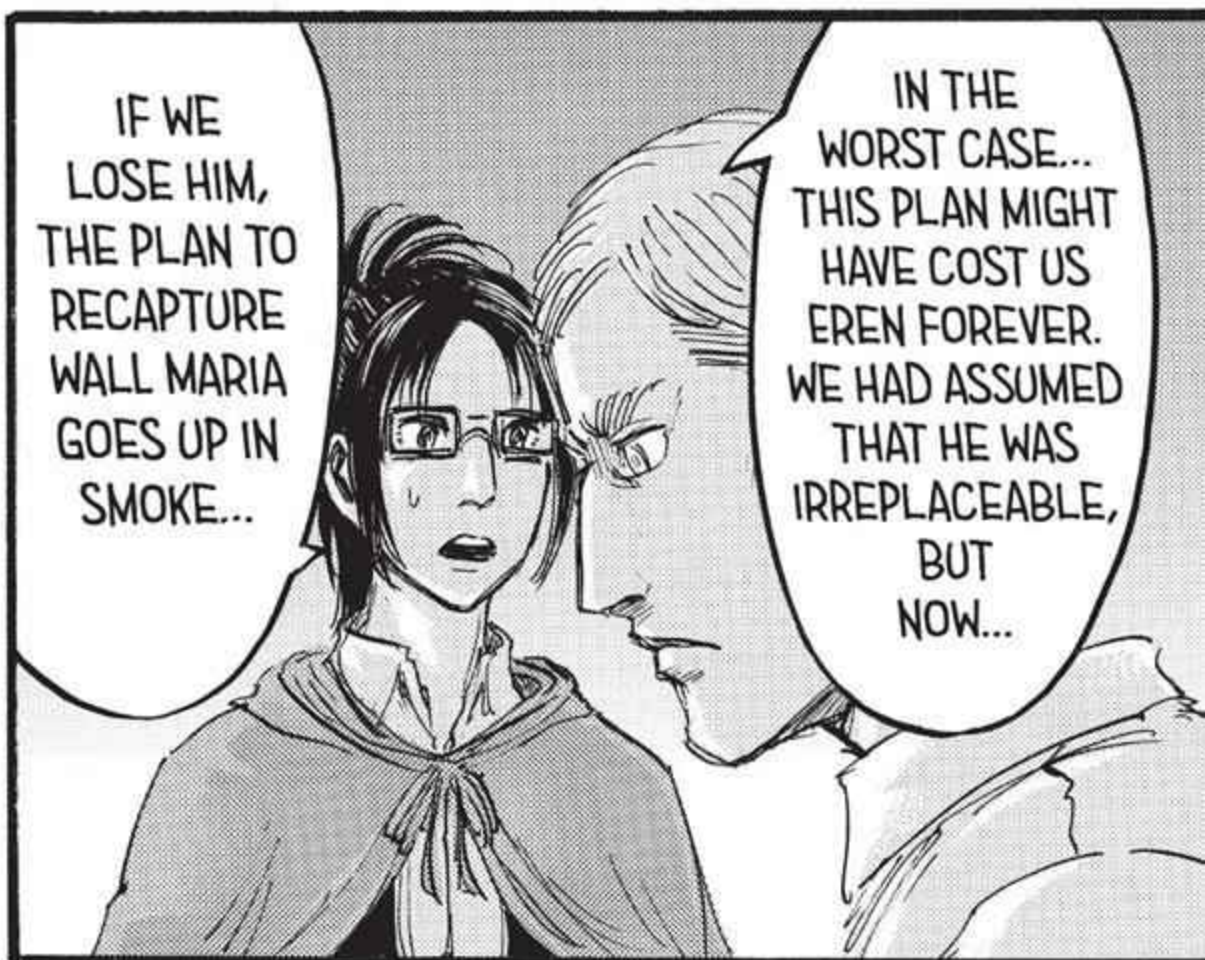
IF THE  
ROYAL  
GOVERNMENT  
WANTS TO  
USE THE  
SCREAM,



THEY'LL  
SURELY  
FEED  
EREN TO  
IT.

IN OTHER  
WORDS, IF THE  
ROYAL GOVERNMENT,  
WHICH SEEMS TO  
KNOW ABOUT THE  
TITANS, HAS A TITAN  
OF THEIR OWN...









STILL, I  
FEEL THAT THIS  
INVESTIGATION  
IS LINKED IN  
SOME WAY TO  
THE "FIRM  
COVENANT"  
HE TALKED  
ABOUT.

OH, AND  
AS FOR THE  
WALLISTS...  
THERE REALLY  
DOESN'T SEEM  
TO BE ANY  
HOPE OF  
FINDING OUT  
ANYTHING  
BEYOND WHAT  
MINISTER NICK  
TOLD US.



I JUST  
FEEL THAT  
THEY'RE  
SOMEHOW  
RELATED.

IT'S  
THE SAME  
WITH  
WHAT YOU  
JUST  
TOLD  
ME.

...AND,  
IN THE  
END,  
THEY  
HAD HER  
KILLED!

...THE  
FAMILY  
NEVER  
TRUSTED  
HER...

THEN  
WHAT ABOUT  
HISTORIA  
REISS? SHE  
WAS BORN  
TO A MISTRESS  
WHO NEVER  
MARRIED THE  
LORD...

IF THE  
"FIRM COVENANT"  
ENTRUSTED THE  
SECRET ORIGIN  
OF THE WALLS  
TO A SINGLE  
BLOODLINE...





YES...  
IT IS  
STRANGE.



WHY  
IS THE  
GOVERNMENT  
AFTER HER  
AS MUCH AS  
THEY'RE  
AFTER  
EREN?

SO  
WHY DOES  
HISTORIA  
STILL HAVE  
THE RIGHT  
TO THESE  
SECRETS  
...?



COM-  
MAND-  
ER  
ERWIN!

click

BUT  
PERHAPS  
THIS LETTER  
WILL  
EXPLAIN  
WHY...



...IN  
THE  
MIDDLE  
OF  
TOWN,  
TOO...

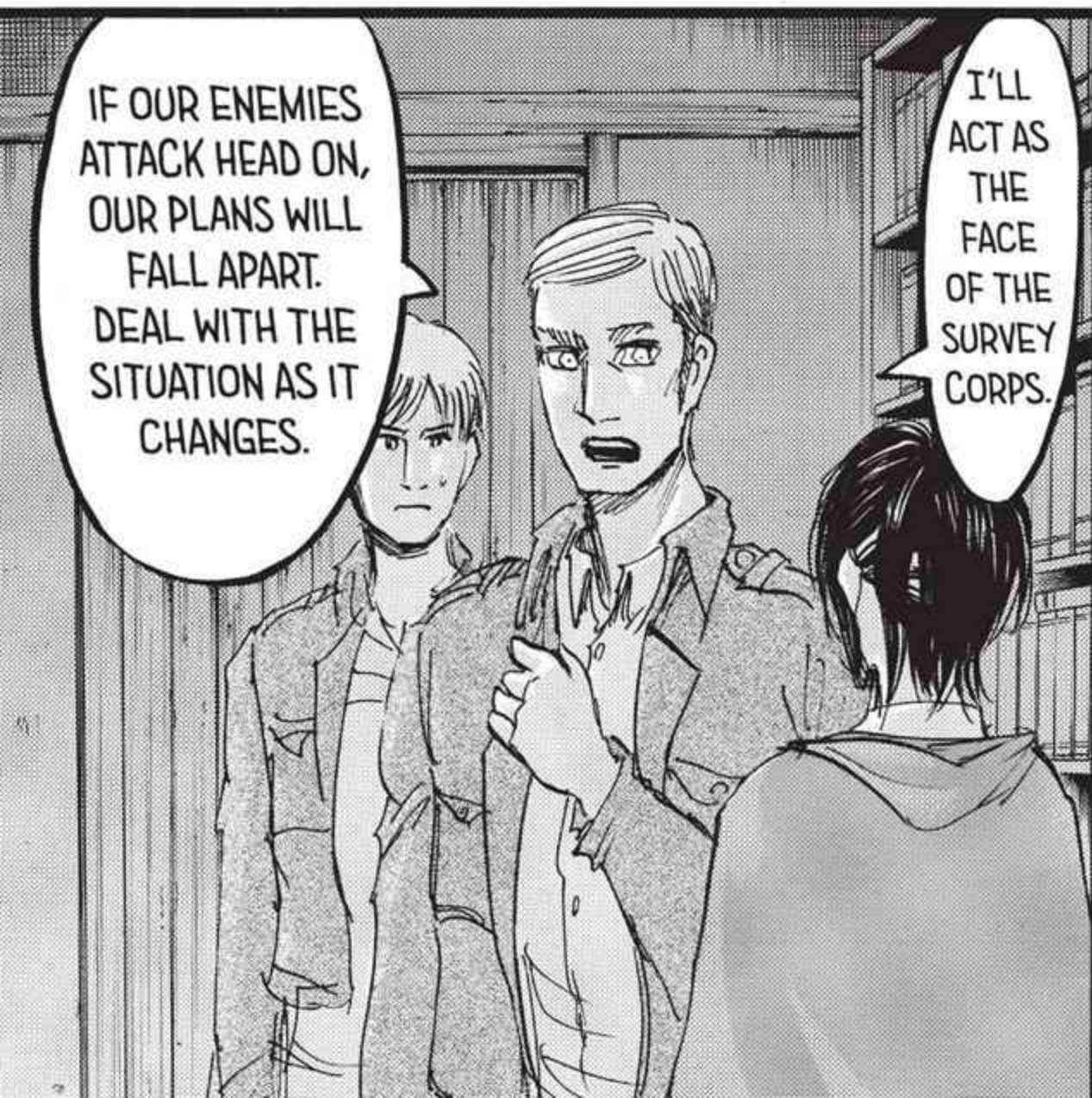
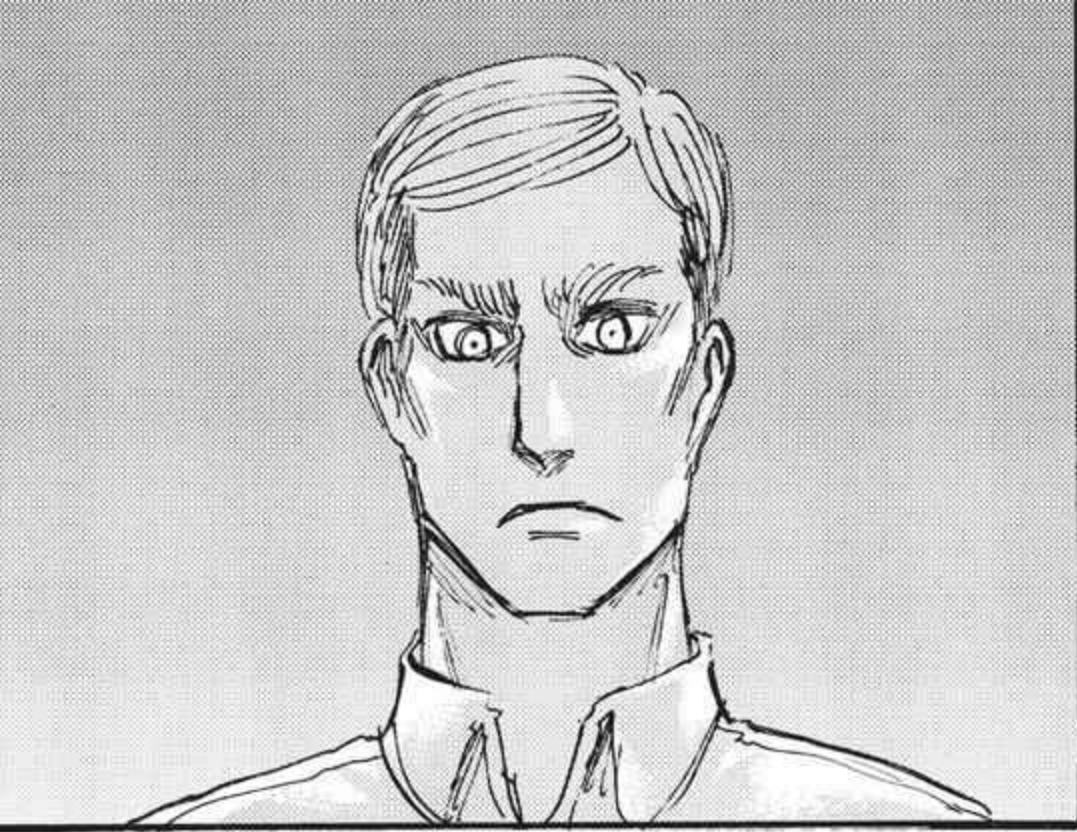
THEY'RE  
GOING ON  
ABOUT AN  
ORGANIZED  
MURDER...



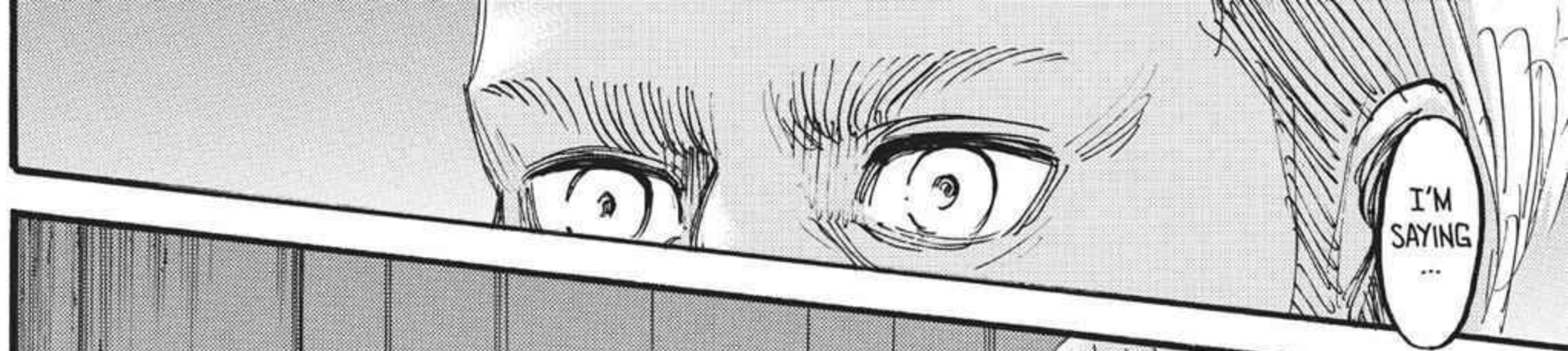
1-2-3  
BAM

THE  
INTERIOR  
MP FIRST  
SQUAD IS  
DEMAND-  
ING TO  
SEE YOU.

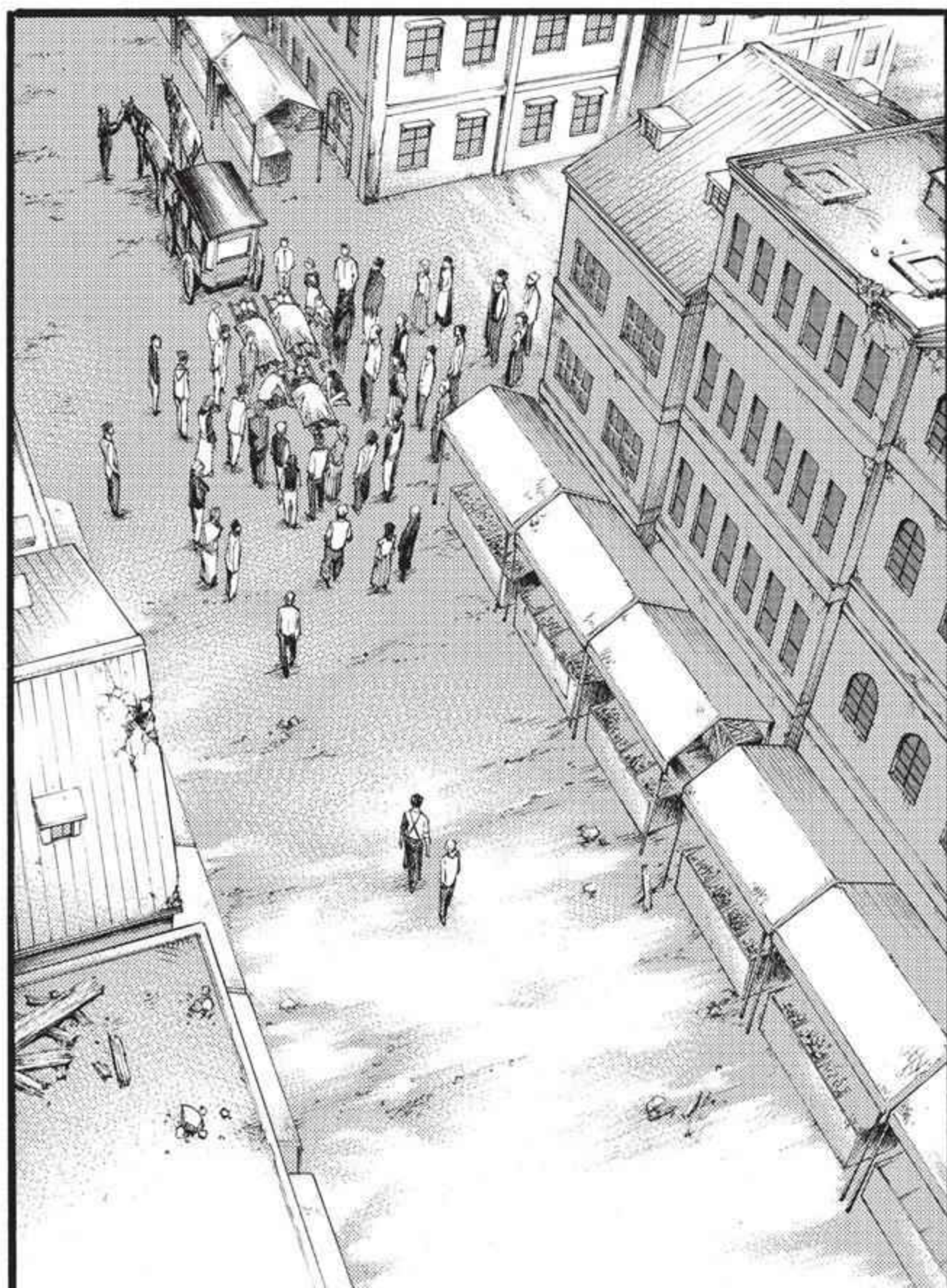
















IT'S  
ERWIN.

HEY...  
HE'S  
HERE.



DO YOU  
KNOW  
WHO THIS  
IS?

ERWIN  
SMITH.





DIMO  
REEVES.



THE  
PRESIDENT  
OF THE  
REEVES  
COMPANY.



THEIR  
THROATS  
HAD BEEN  
SLIT WITH A  
SHARP  
BLADE.

WE  
DISCOVERED  
HIM AND TWO  
OF HIS  
EMPLOYEES  
KILLED IN THE  
MOUNTAINS.



...DO  
YOU KNOW  
ANYTHING  
ABOUT  
THIS?

ERWIN  
...

NOTHING  
WAS TAKEN,  
AND IT DOESN'T  
LOOK LIKE THE  
WORK OF  
BANDITS...

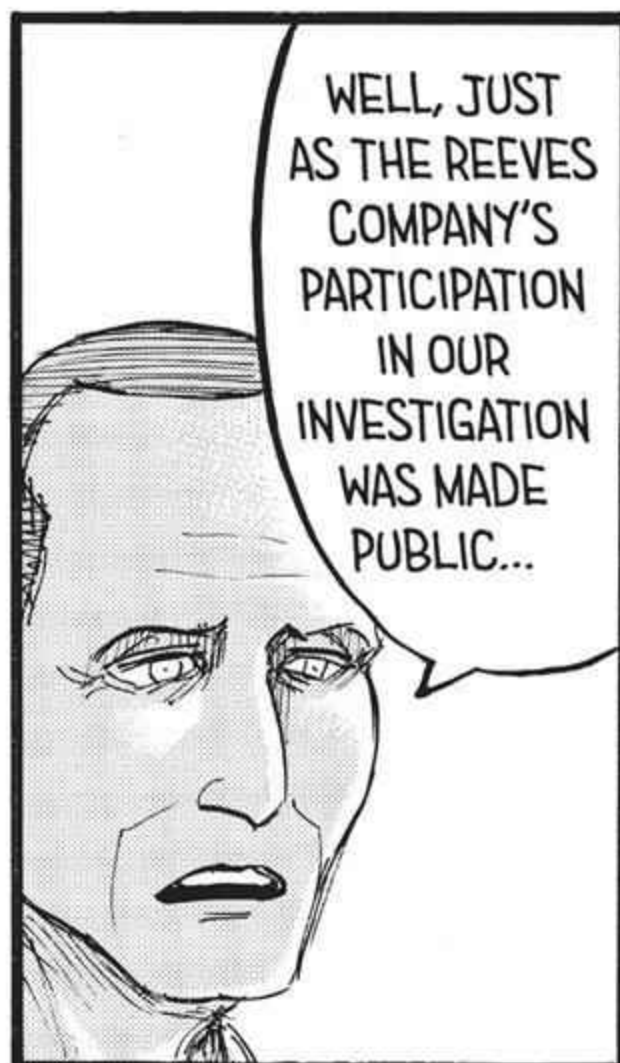
THE JOB  
SEEMS TO  
HAVE BEEN  
CARRIED OUT  
BY SOMEONE  
WITH  
MILITARY  
TRAINING.





YOU DON'T  
NEED TO BE  
DIPLOMATIC  
ABOUT IT.  
JUST TELL  
ME WHY.

WHAT  
I KNOW IS  
THAT THE  
SURVEY CORPS  
IS CURRENTLY  
SUSPECTED  
OF KILLING  
THEM.

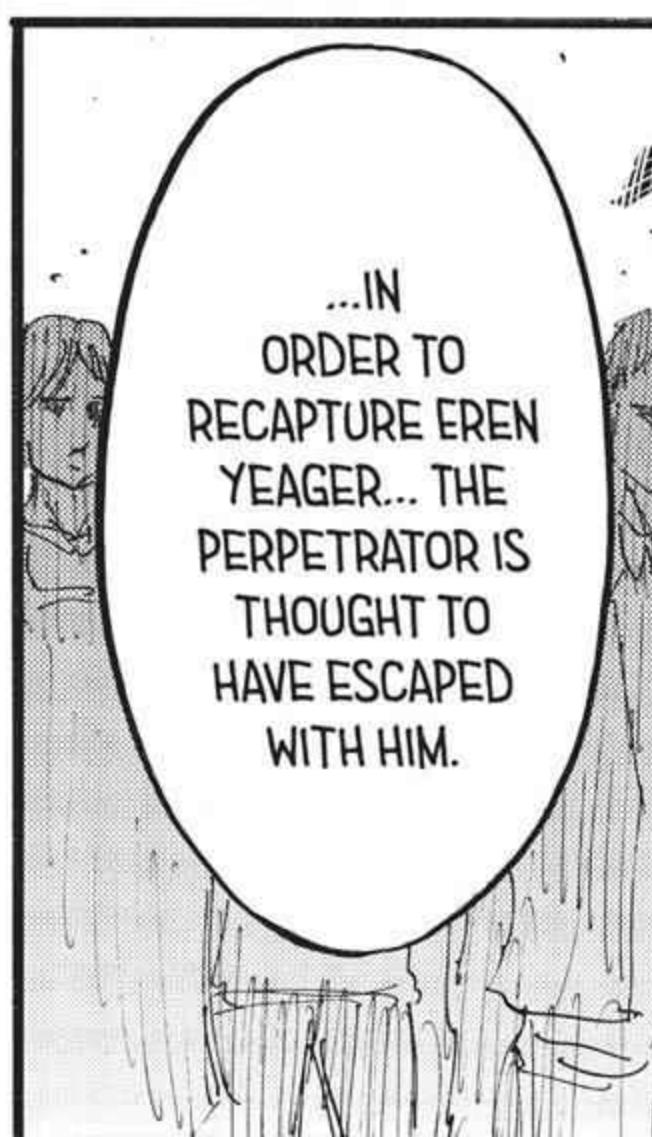


WELL, JUST  
AS THE REEVES  
COMPANY'S  
PARTICIPATION  
IN OUR  
INVESTIGATION  
WAS MADE  
PUBLIC...



YES... WE  
REPORTED IT  
TO THE MILITARY  
POLICE AND  
REQUESTED AN  
INVESTIGATION.

...CITIZENS  
REPORT SEEING  
SURVEY CORPS  
MEMBERS BEING  
ATTACKED BY TWO  
INDIVIDUALS TWO  
DAYS AGO.



...IN  
ORDER TO  
RECAPTURE EREN  
YEAGER... THE  
PERPETRATOR IS  
THOUGHT TO  
HAVE ESCAPED  
WITH HIM.



...THE SURVEY  
CORPS MUST HAVE  
PICKED UP ON  
THIS AND  
ATTACKED THE  
PRESIDENT OF  
THE REEVES  
COMPANY...









HONESTLY...  
I CAN'T IMAGINE  
HOW SOLDIERS  
WHO'VE DEDICATED  
THEIR HEARTS TO  
PROTECT THE PEOPLE  
COULD TAKE SOME OF  
THOSE PEOPLE'S  
LIVES.

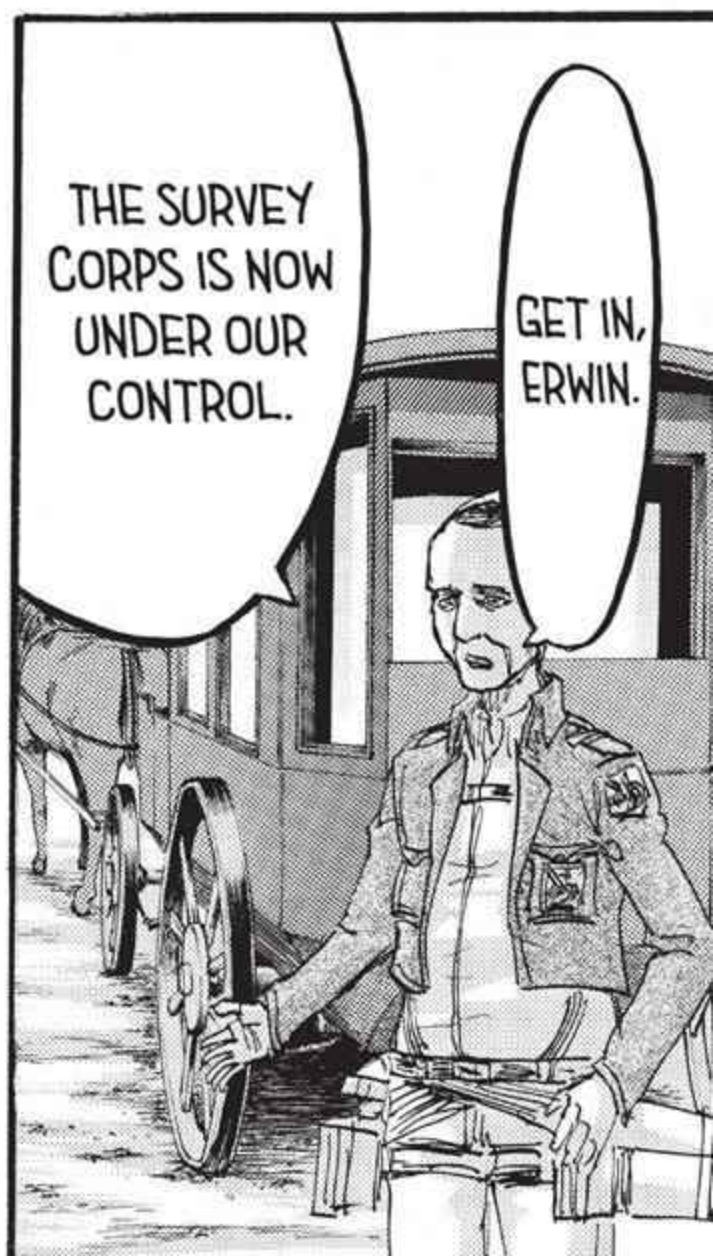
IF YOU'RE  
INNOCENT,  
GET THE CORPS  
TOGETHER BY  
TOMORROW.



THEY  
WERE DOING  
SOMETHING  
WITH THAT  
TITAN  
BRAT.

LAZY  
AS EVER,  
AND AT A  
TIME LIKE  
THIS?!

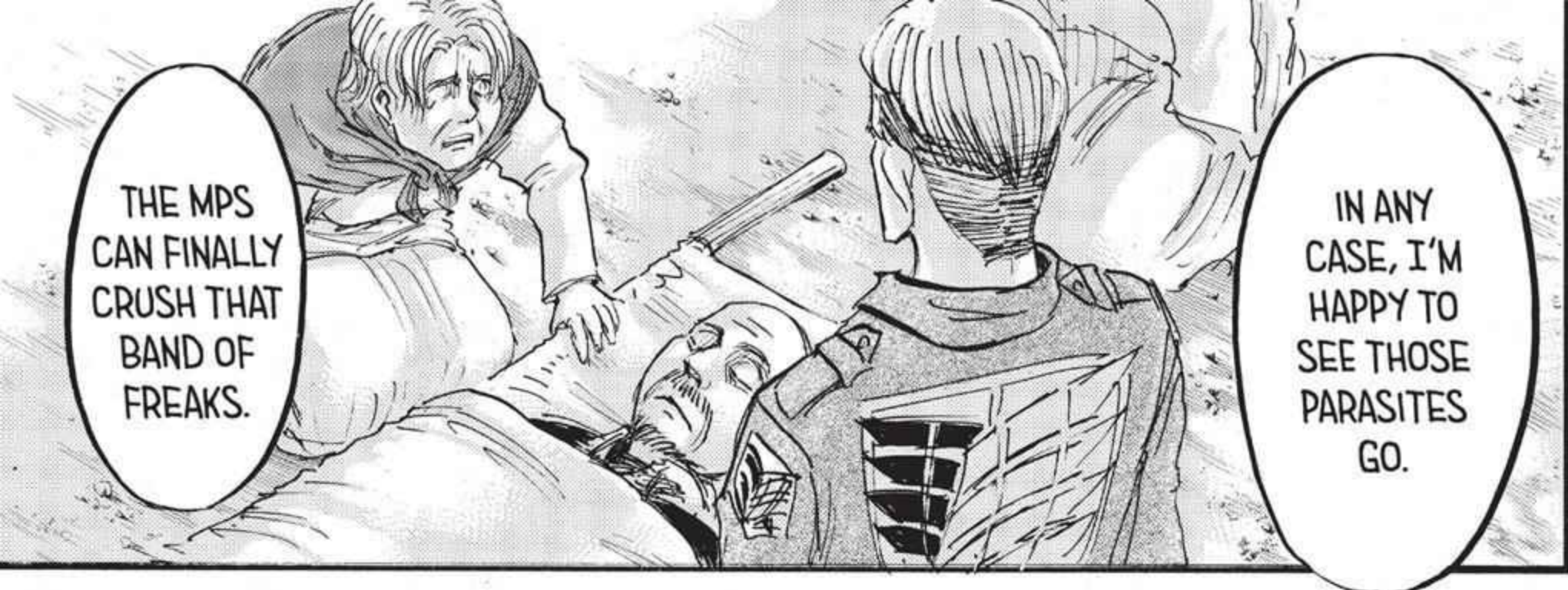
IT HAS  
TO BE  
THEM.



THE SURVEY  
CORPS IS NOW  
UNDER OUR  
CONTROL.

GET IN,  
ERWIN.



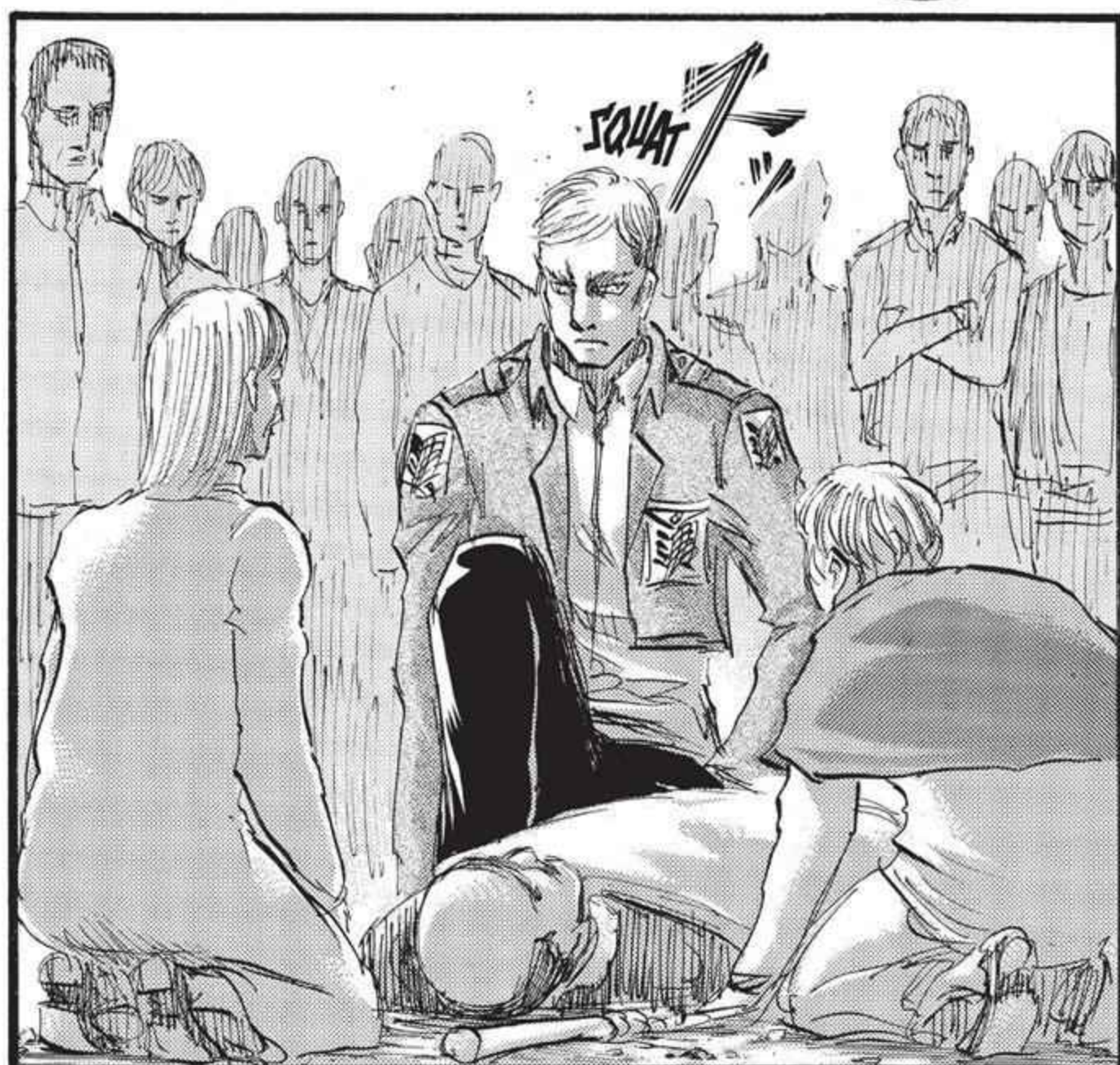


THE MPS  
CAN FINALLY  
CRUSH THAT  
BAND OF  
FREAKS.

IN ANY  
CASE, I'M  
HAPPY TO  
SEE THOSE  
PARASITES  
GO.



!! ...DON'T  
YOU COME  
CLOSE TO  
HIM... YOU  
VILLAIN!!



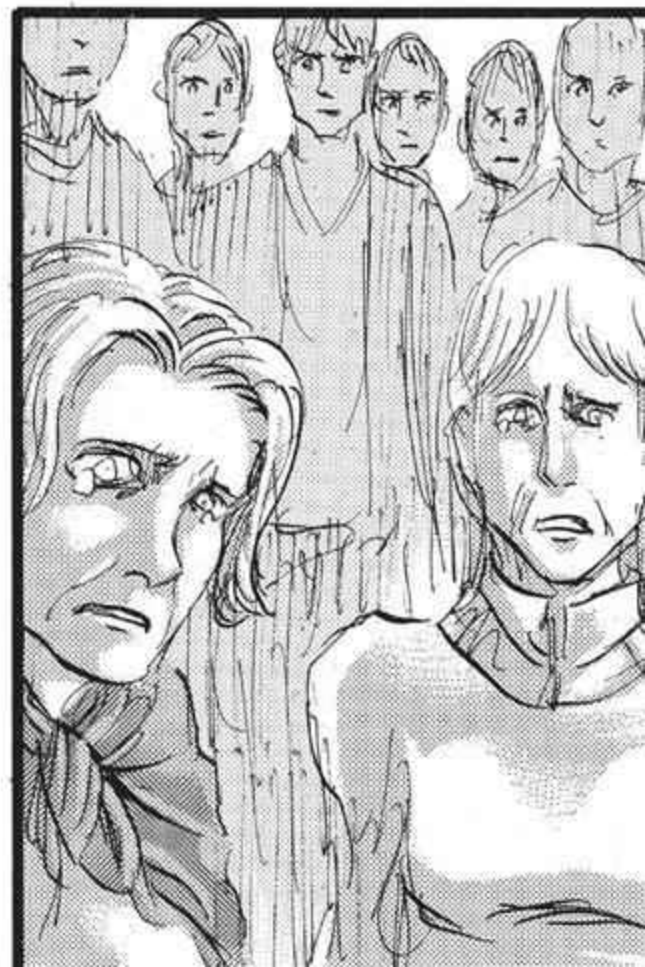
...ALONG  
WITH MANY  
OTHER DIRTY,  
UNLAWFUL  
TRICKS.

...BY  
COLLUD-  
ING WITH  
THE MILI-  
TARY...



MISTER  
REEVES  
REBUILT HIS  
COMPANY  
AFTER THE  
CHAOS WE SAW  
FIVE YEARS  
AGO.









BUT...  
SOMEONE  
HAS  
SQUASHED  
THOSE  
HOPES.



THIS  
TIME, HE  
WAS  
TRYING  
TO SAVE  
THIS  
TOWN.



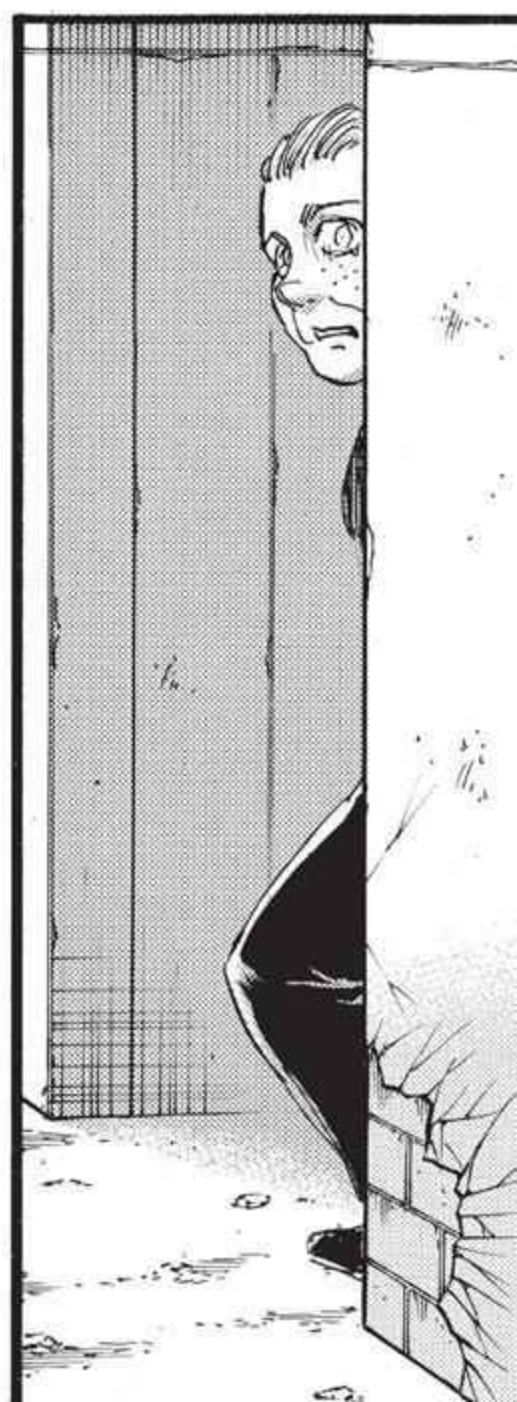
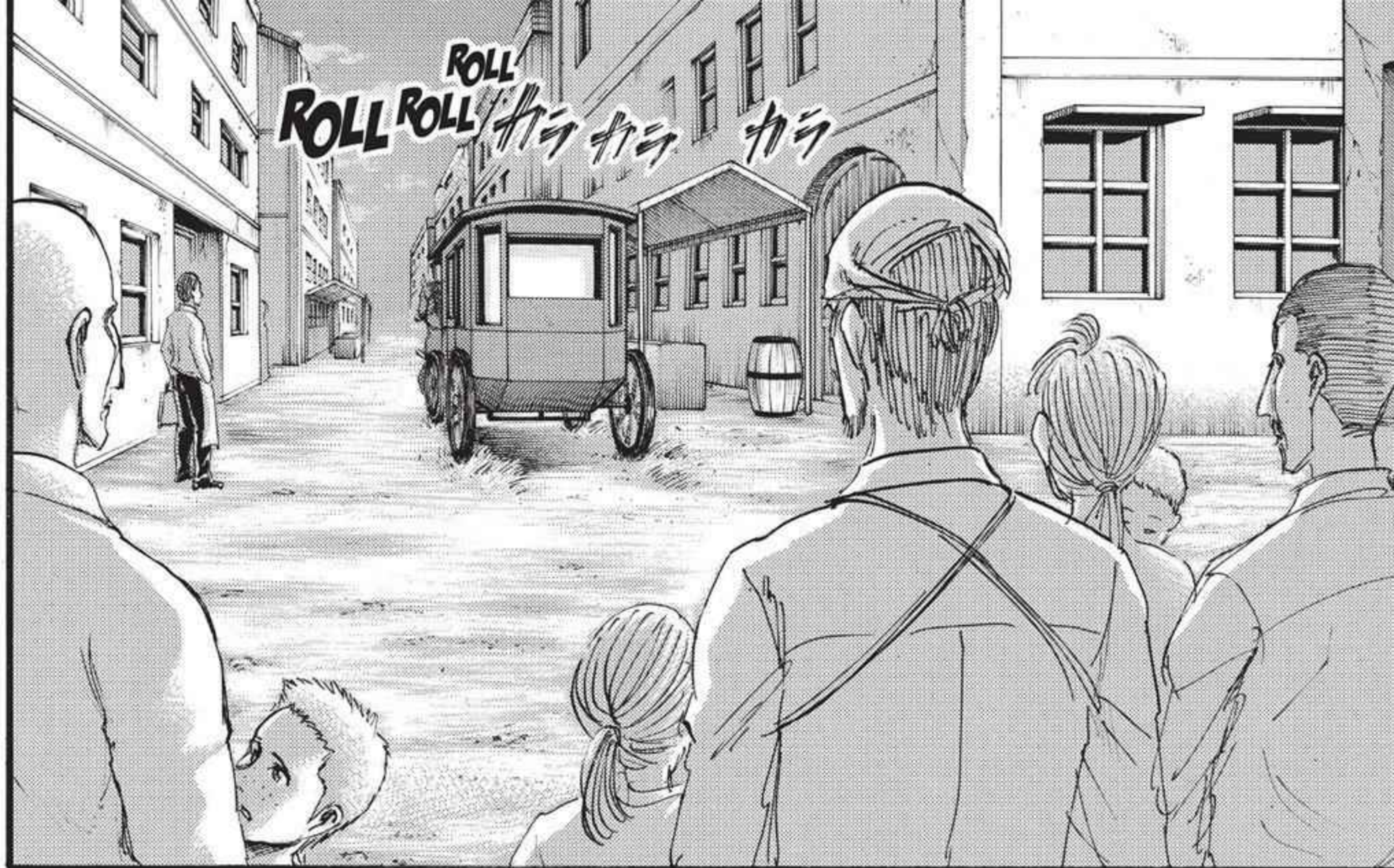
FIVE YEARS  
AGO, HE WAS  
AN OUTCAST  
HERE... HE  
CHOSE THE  
SAFETY OF HIS  
FAMILY AND  
FRIENDS OVER  
PROTECTING  
THE TOWN.



**I  
PRO-  
MISE  
...**

**...TO  
AVENGE  
HIM.**

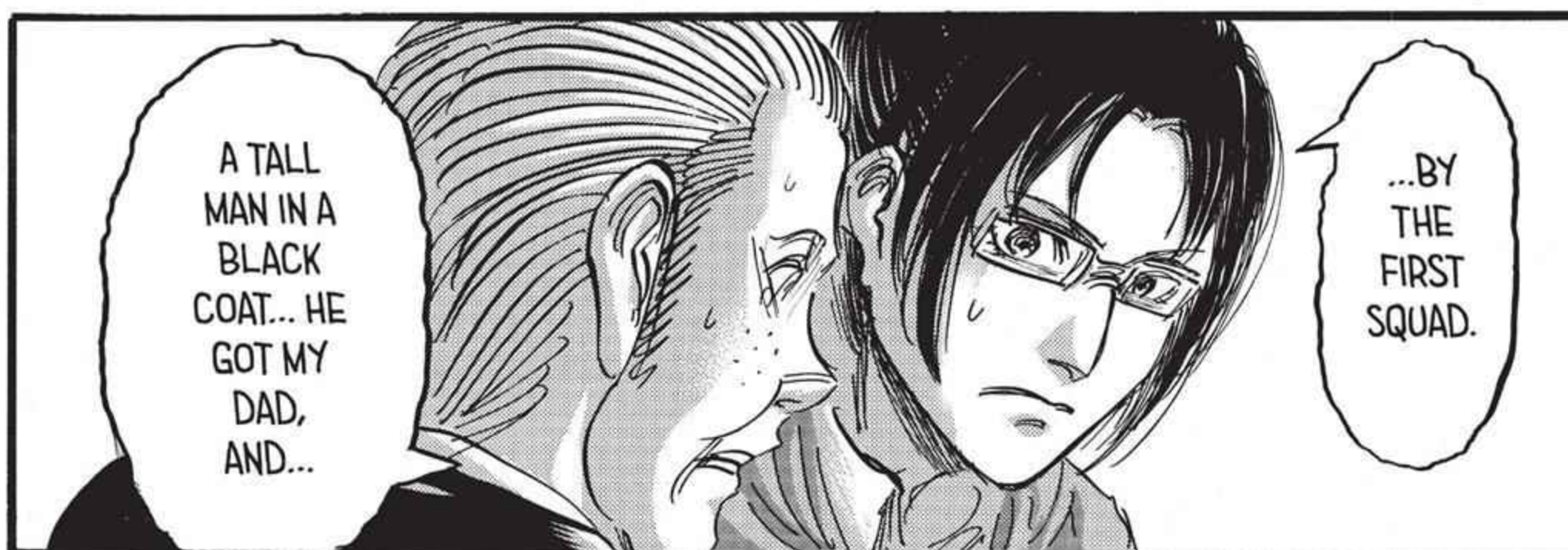




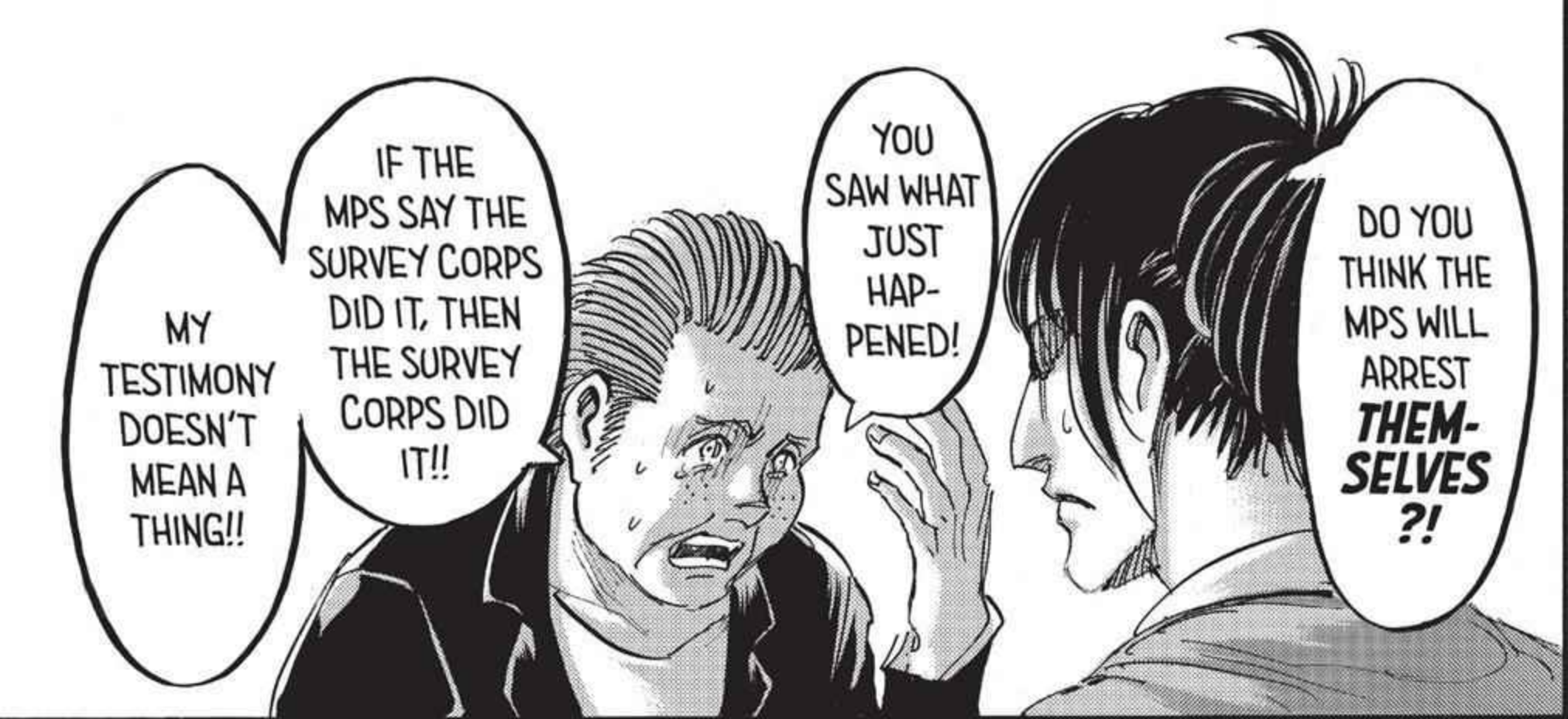












MY  
TESTIMONY  
DOESN'T  
MEAN A  
THING!!

IF THE  
MPS SAY THE  
SURVEY CORPS  
DID IT, THEN  
THE SURVEY  
CORPS DID  
IT!!

YOU  
SAW WHAT  
JUST  
HAP-  
PENED!

DO YOU  
THINK THE  
MPS WILL  
ARREST  
**THEM-  
SELVES**  
?!



THEY'LL  
REALIZE THEY  
MISSED ME,  
THEN COME TO  
KILL ME...!

AND... SINCE OTHER  
COMPANY EMPLOYEES  
WON'T SUSPECT ANYTHING,  
I'M SURE THEY'LL TELL  
THE MPS THAT I WAS AT  
THE SCENE OF THE  
CRIME...



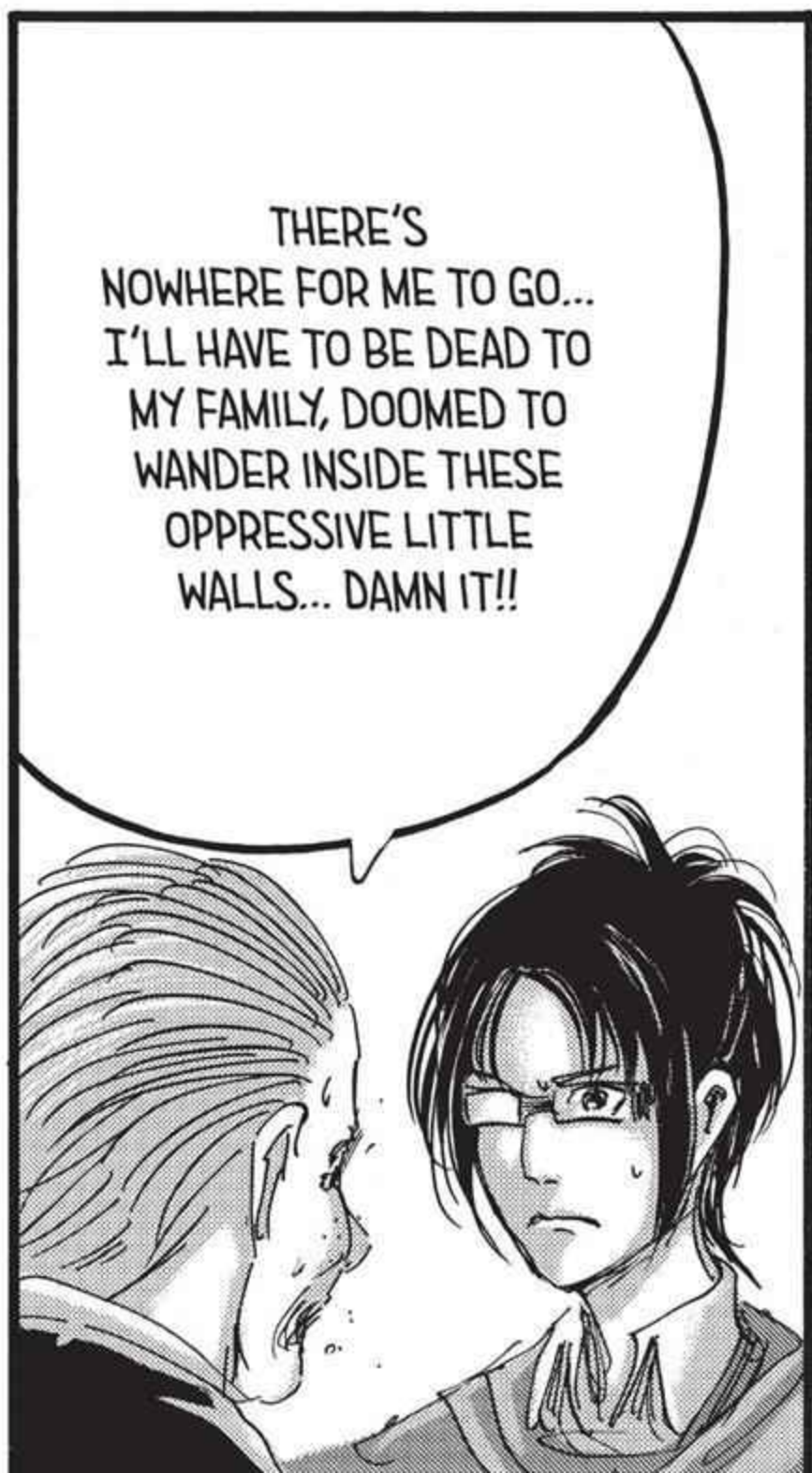
BUT  
...

WELL...  
PER-  
HAPS...



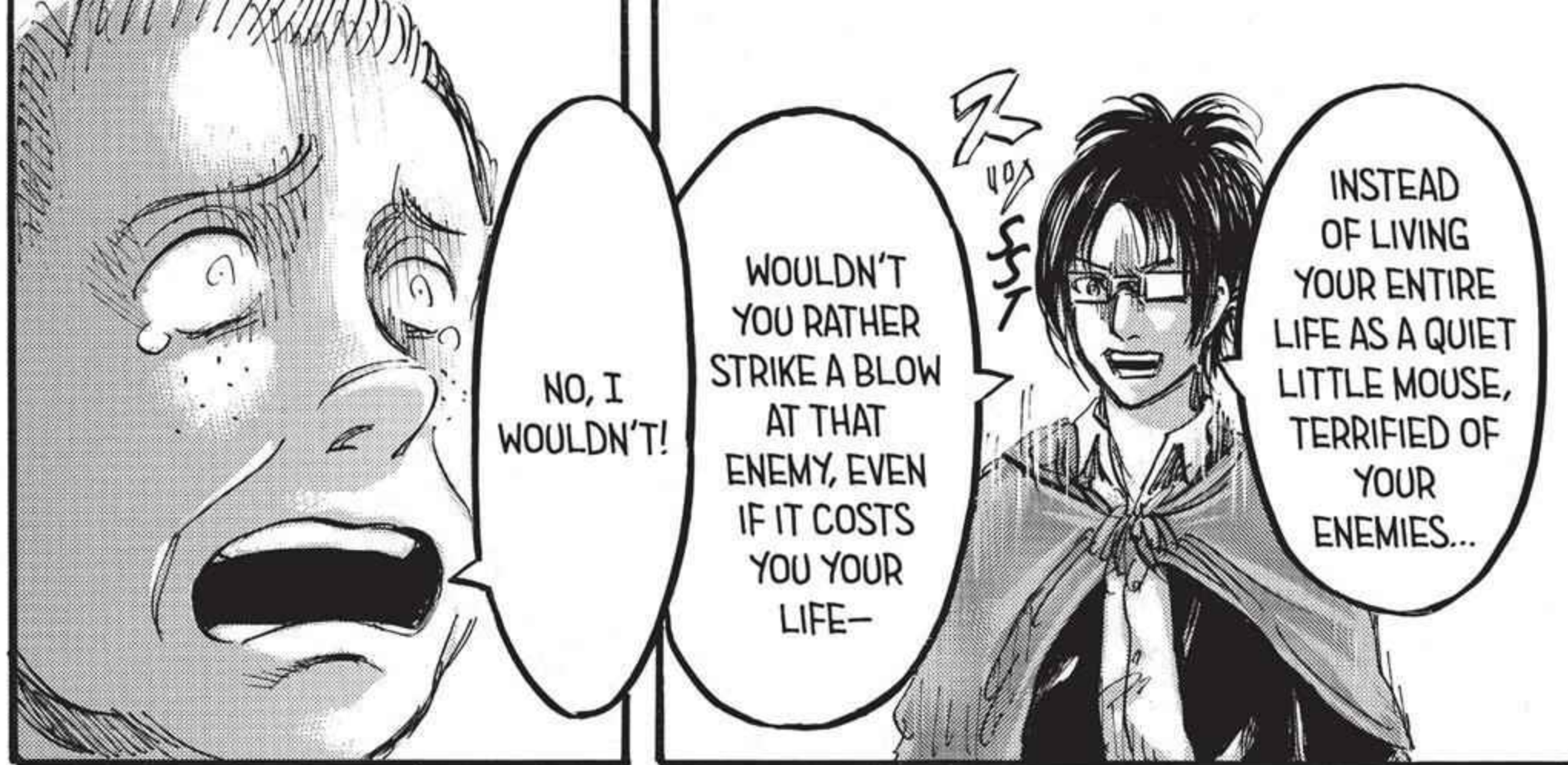
CAN'T  
YOU LOOK  
AT IT THIS  
WAY,  
FLEGEL?

...I  
WOULDN'T  
WANT TO  
LIVE LIKE  
THAT.



THERE'S  
NOWHERE FOR ME TO GO...  
I'LL HAVE TO BE DEAD TO  
MY FAMILY, DOOMED TO  
WANDER INSIDE THESE  
OPPRESSIVE LITTLE  
WALLS... DAMN IT!!

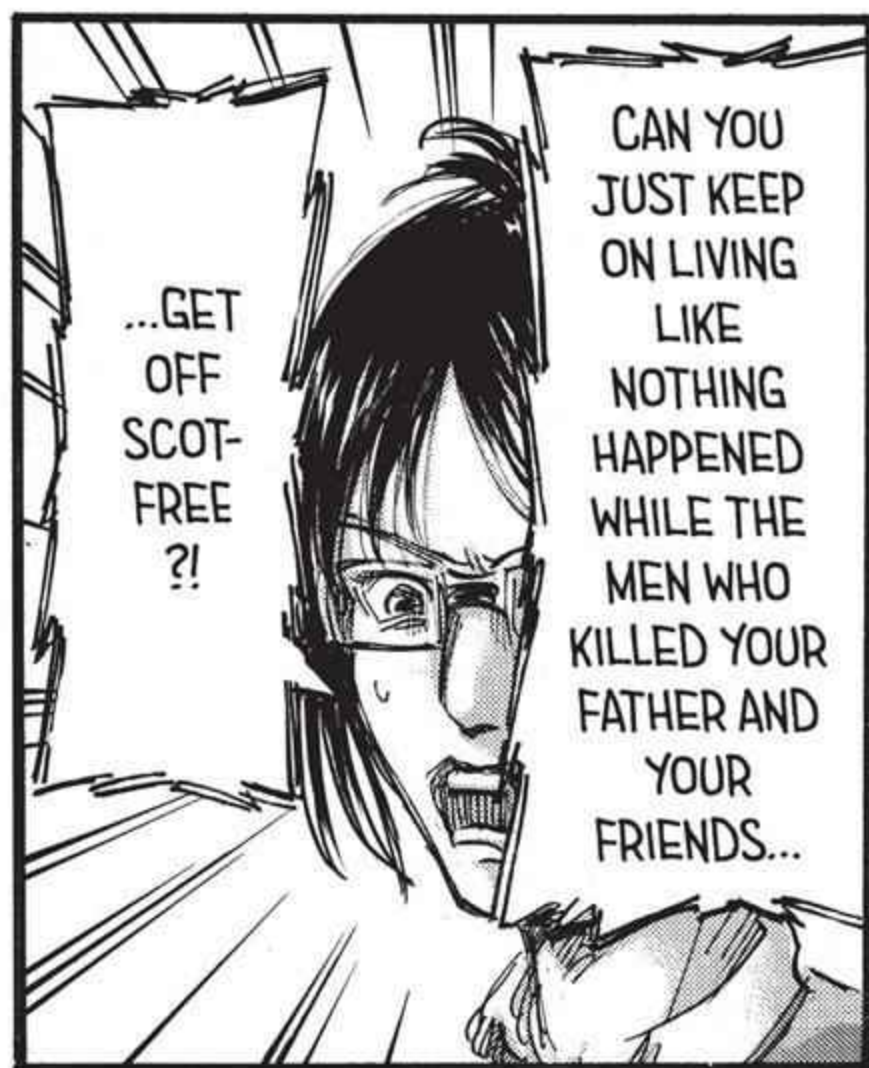




NO, I  
WOULDN'T!

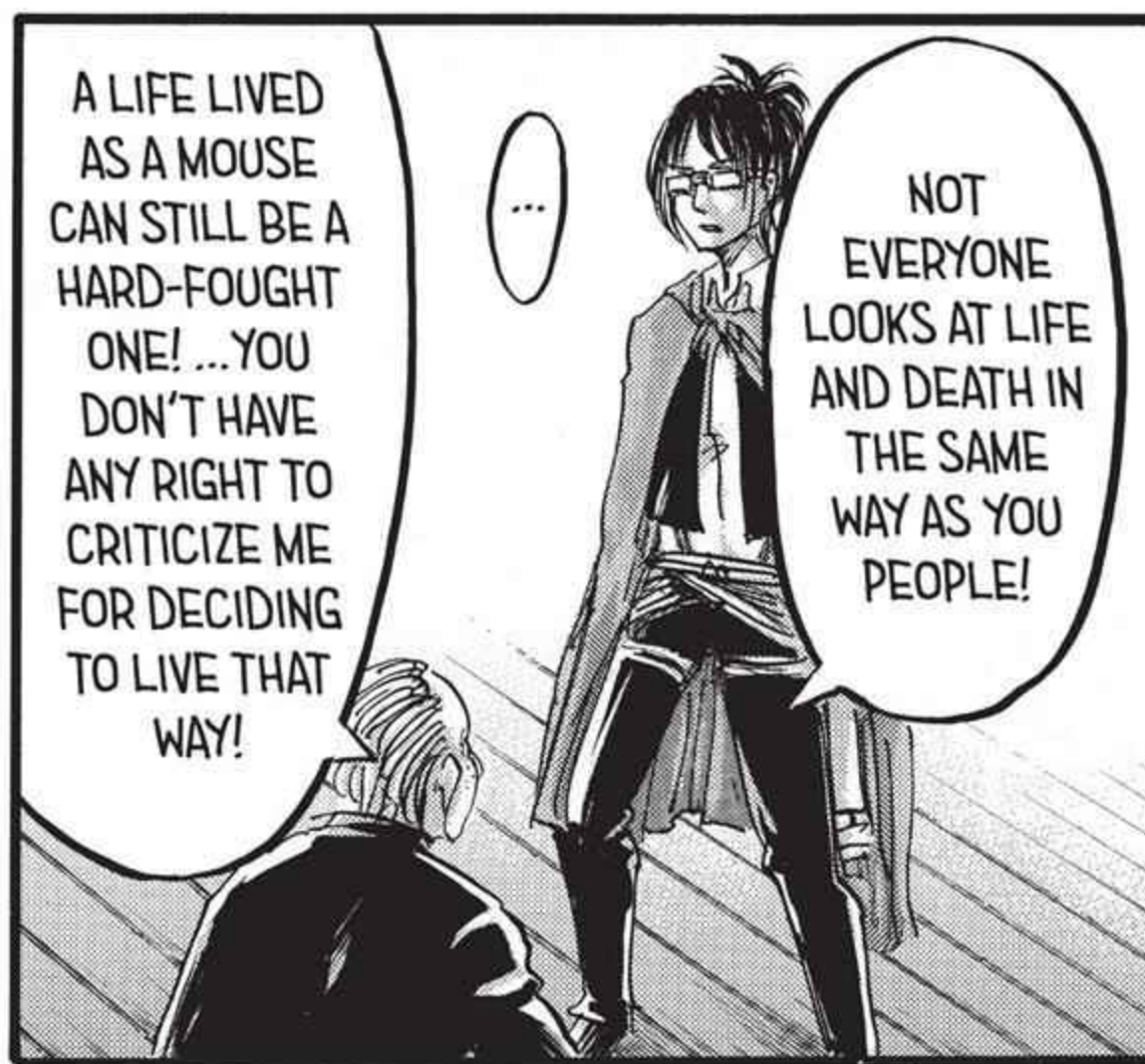
WOULDN'T  
YOU RATHER  
STRIKE A BLOW  
AT THAT  
ENEMY, EVEN  
IF IT COSTS  
YOU YOUR  
LIFE—

INSTEAD  
OF LIVING  
YOUR ENTIRE  
LIFE AS A QUIET  
LITTLE MOUSE,  
TERRIFIED OF  
YOUR  
ENEMIES...



...GET  
OFF  
SCOT-  
FREE  
?!

CAN YOU  
JUST KEEP  
ON LIVING  
LIKE  
NOTHING  
HAPPENED  
WHILE THE  
MEN WHO  
KILLED YOUR  
FATHER AND  
YOUR  
FRIENDS...



A LIFE LIVED  
AS A MOUSE  
CAN STILL BE A  
HARD-FOUGHT  
ONE! ...YOU  
DON'T HAVE  
ANY RIGHT TO  
CRITICIZE ME  
FOR DECIDING  
TO LIVE THAT  
WAY!

NOT  
EVERYONE  
LOOKS AT LIFE  
AND DEATH IN  
THE SAME  
WAY AS YOU  
PEOPLE!



SO YOU  
THINK  
ABOUT  
WHAT'S  
BEST  
FOR  
YOU,  
TOO!!

OF  
COURSE  
I AM!!



YOU'RE  
JUST  
SAYING  
THAT  
BECAUSE  
IT'D BE  
BEST  
FOR  
YOU!

WHAT  
?!



...TO  
TELL  
YOUR  
FRIENDS  
AND  
FAMILY  
THE  
TRUTH  
?!

DON'T  
YOU  
WANT  
...





WHO'S  
THAT UP  
THERE  
MAKING  
ALL THAT  
NOISE...?!



YOU'VE  
BEEN  
DEFEAT-  
ED!!

YOU'VE  
LOST  
ALREADY!



WHAT'RE  
YOU  
TALKING  
ABOUT?

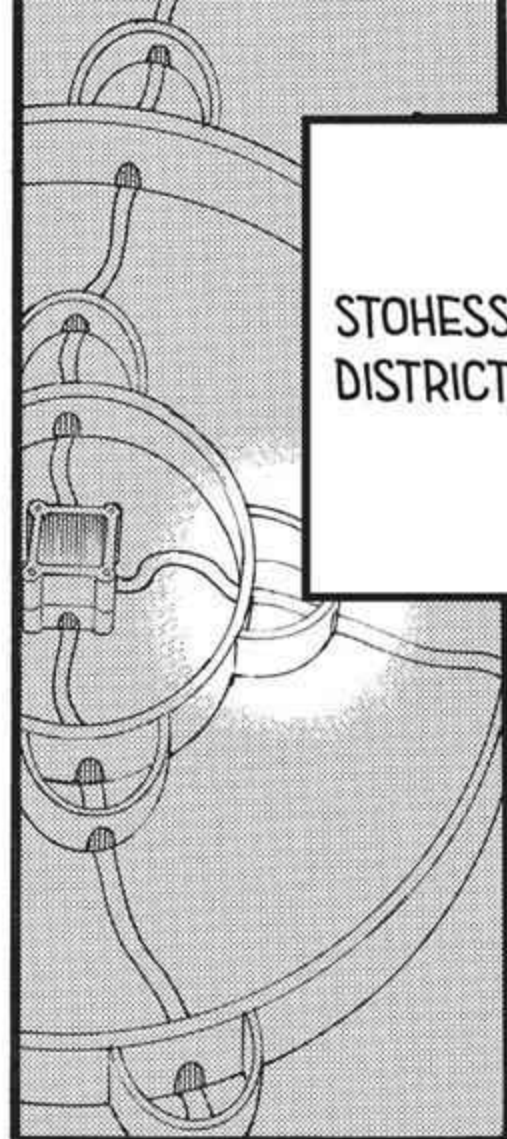
DEFEAT  
IS ALL THE  
SURVEY CORPS  
HAS EVER  
KNOWN!!



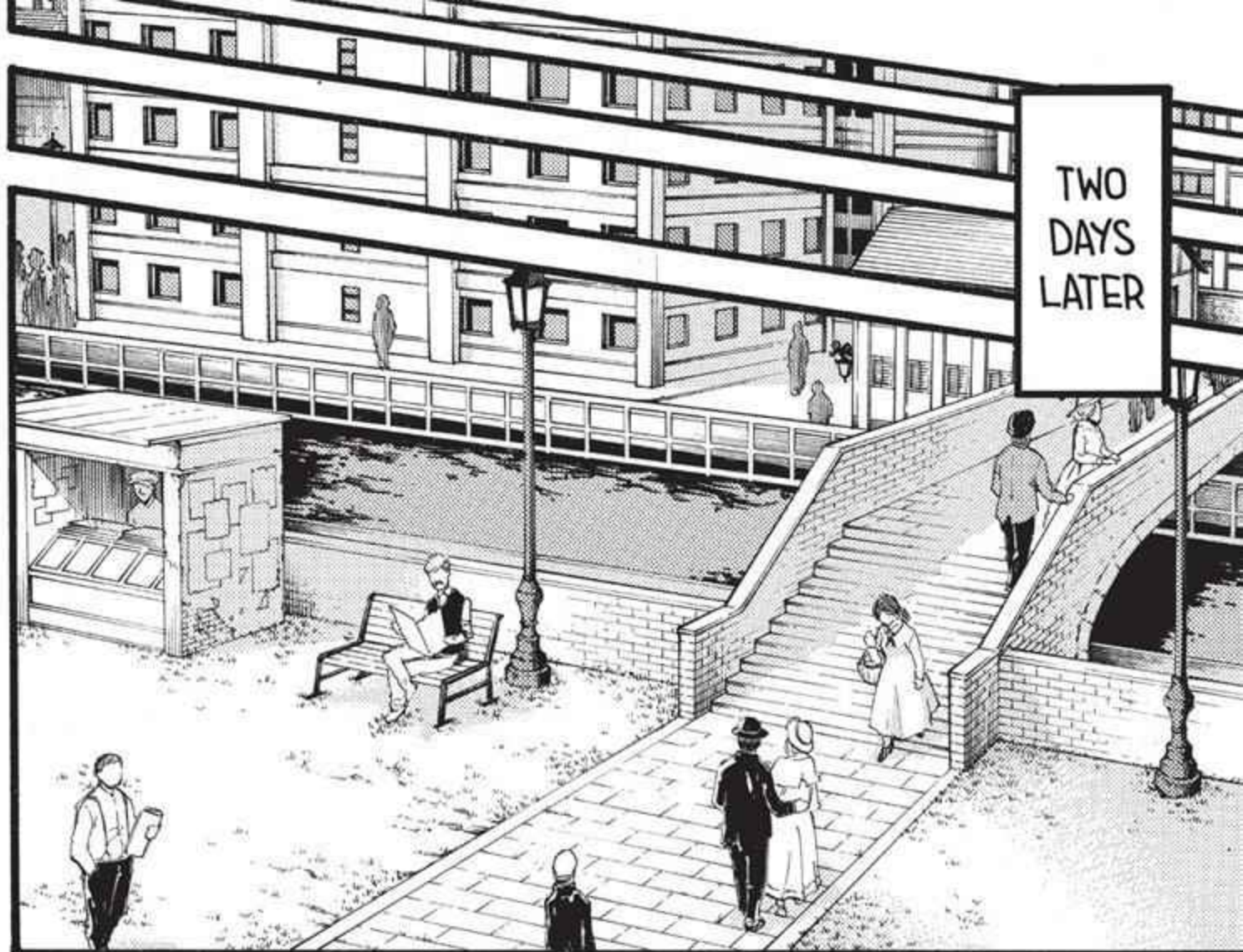
N-NO!  
LET  
GO!

COME ON,  
FLEGEL!  
YOU'RE  
COMING  
WITH ME!





STOHESS  
DISTRICT



TWO  
DAYS  
LATER



IF YOU  
SEE ANYONE  
RESEMBLING  
THEM, INFORM  
THE MILITARY  
POLICE  
IMMEDIATELY!

SOME SOLDIERS  
HAVE IGNORED  
THE SUMMONS  
AND ARE STILL  
AT LARGE!

THE  
SURVEY  
CORPS  
HAS  
MURDERED  
CIVILIANS!



OH DEAR...  
IT'S SO  
DANGEROUS  
NOW I DON'T  
EVEN WANT  
TO GO  
OUTSIDE.

THEY'RE  
TRYING TO  
USE THAT  
MONSTER,  
EREN, TO  
DESTROY  
HUMANITY!

THEY'RE THE  
SAME GROUP  
RESPONSIBLE  
FOR THAT TITAN  
FIGHT INSIDE  
THE WALLS!

SEE?  
JUST  
LIKE I  
SAID.







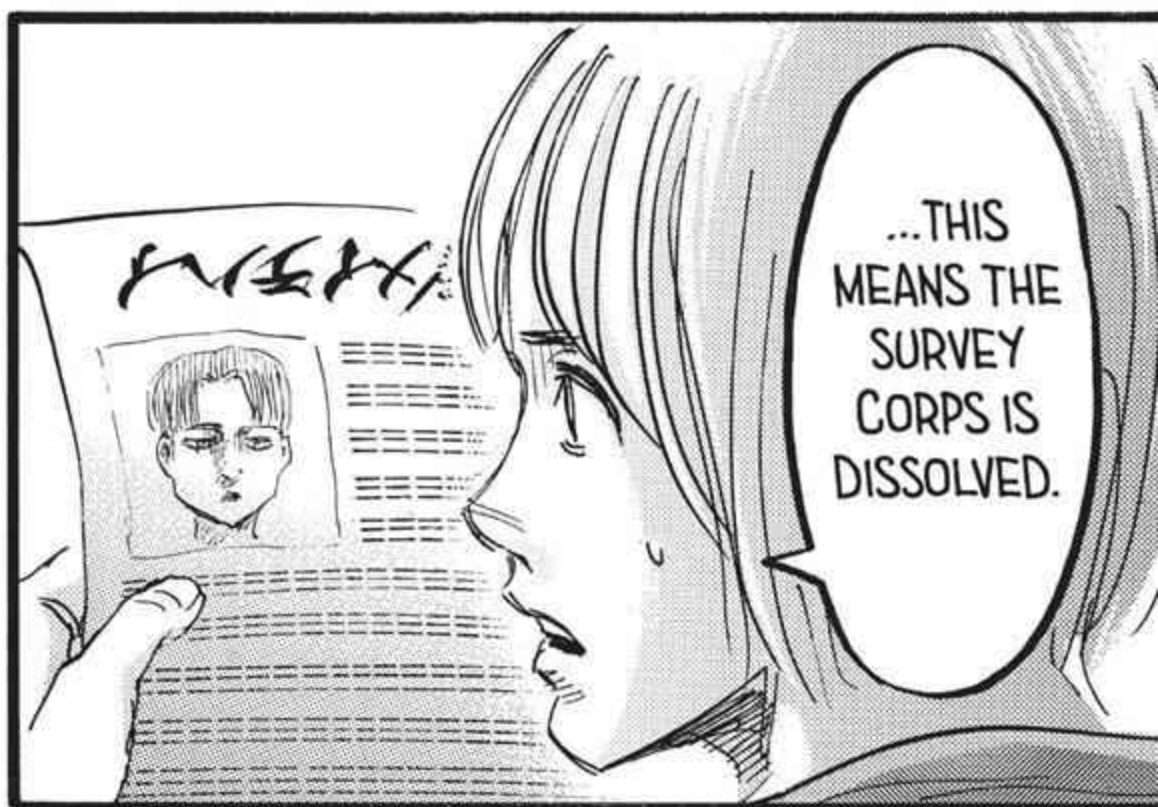


THEY  
WERE  
PASSING  
THESE  
OUT.



JUST  
IN  
GENER-  
AL...

YEAH...  
IT FEELS  
LIKE  
IT'S ALL  
OVER.



...THIS  
MEANS THE  
SURVEY  
CORPS IS  
DISSOLVED.



HEY... IT  
HASN'T  
COME TO  
THAT  
YET...



BUT TO THINK  
A BUNCH OF  
ANGRY  
HUMANS ARE  
GOING TO LOP  
MY HEAD  
OFF...


I WAS  
PREPARED  
TO DIE  
INSIDE A  
TITAN'S  
STOMACH...





I MEAN,  
I HAD ALL BUT  
LOST HOPE WHEN  
THE COMPANY  
BOSS WAS KILLED  
AND WE LOST  
TRACK OF EREN  
AND HISTORIA...

THE  
COMMANDER  
ISN'T GOING TO SIT  
BACK AND WATCH  
AS THEY FALSELY  
ACCUSE HIM AND  
SHUT DOWN THE  
SURVEY  
CORPS!



IT HAS TO BE  
THAT UNDER-  
TAKER! WHY  
ELSE WOULD  
SOMEONE STAY  
AT AN INN WITH  
TWO COFFINS?!



BUT THANKS TO  
THE CAPTAIN'S  
QUICK THINKING,  
OUR STAKEOUT  
OF STOHESS  
DISTRICT  
WORKED!

AND  
...



...WE CAN  
PROBABLY  
FIND OUT  
HOW EREN  
CAN HARDEN  
HIS TITAN'S  
SKIN,  
TOO!

...OR IF WE  
CAN FIND  
RECORDS  
OF HOW THE  
WALLS WERE  
CREATED...

IF WE  
CAN JUST  
GET LORD  
REISS...



IF THE CAPTAIN DID ORDER ME TO KILL, I STILL DOUBT I COULD DO IT.



IF YOU'RE GOING TO KILL OTHER HUMANS... YOU CAN STILL COUNT ME OUT.



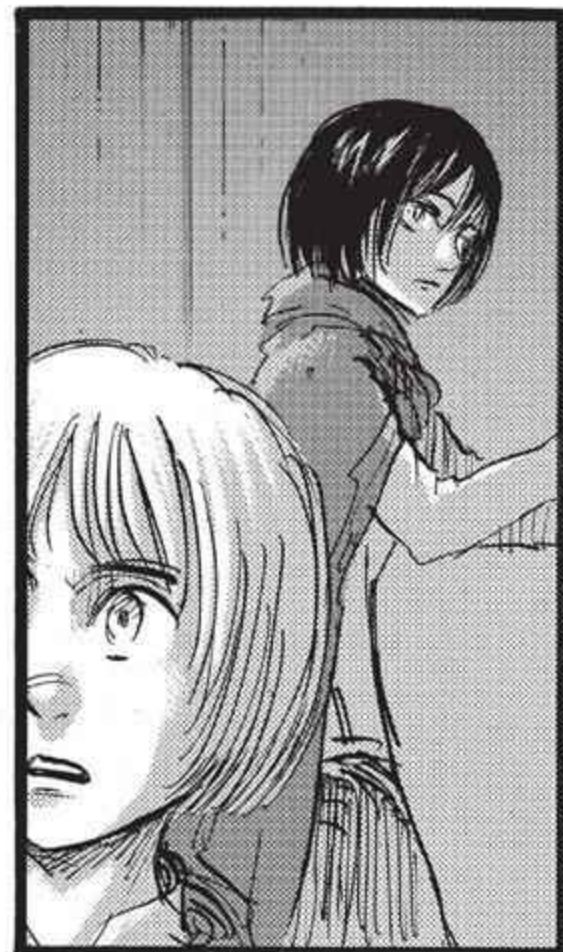
EVEN IF IT DOES ALL GO WELL...



JUST LIKE WHAT HE DID TO HISTORIA!

CAPTAIN LEVI THINKS HE CAN USE VIOLENCE TO MAKE PEOPLE DO AS HE SAYS.

ME TOO.



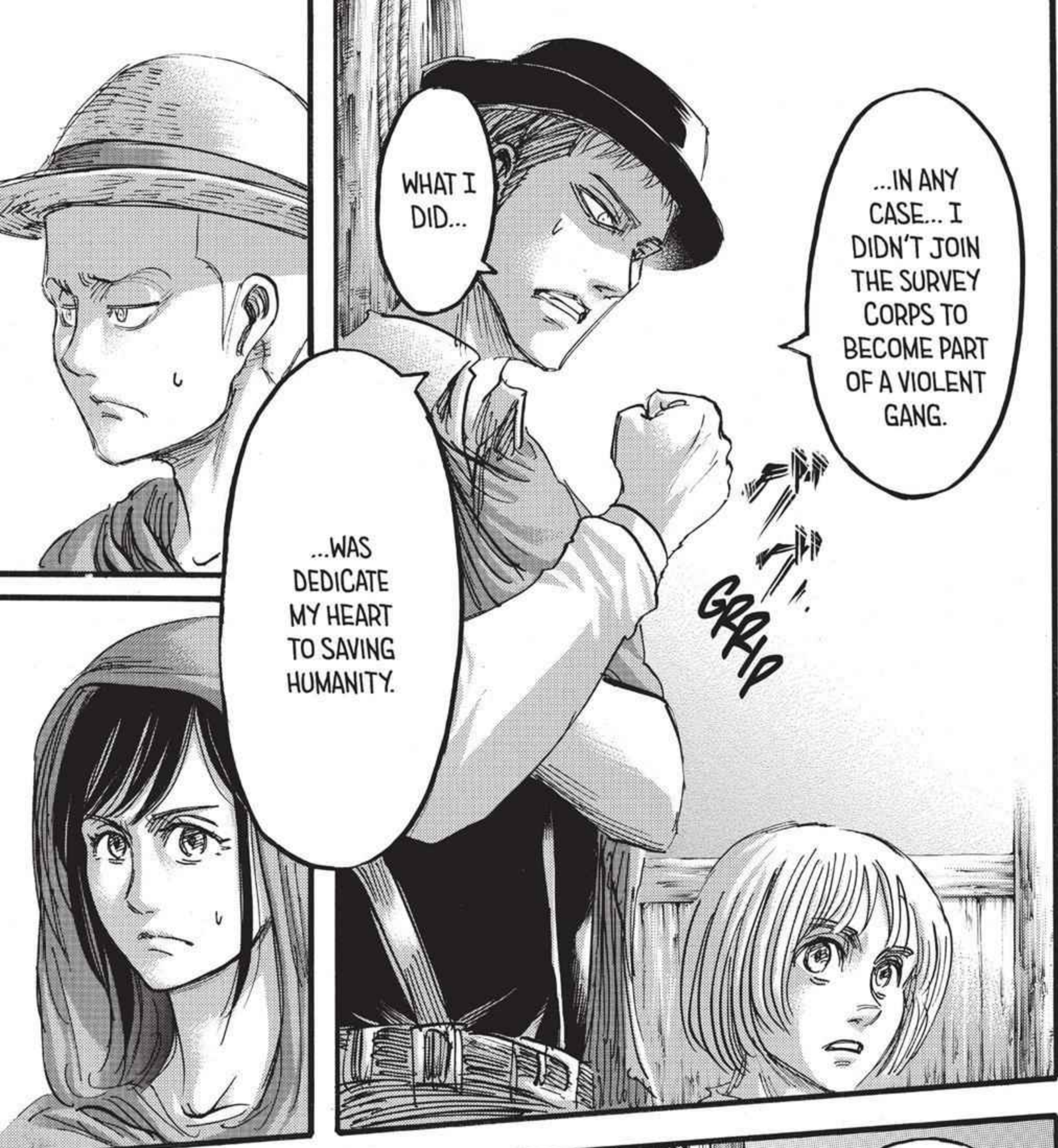
HE PROBABLY DID THAT TO MAKE HER EASIER TO CONTROL ONCE SHE BECOMES QUEEN!

THREATENING HISTORIA WHEN SHE WAS PRACTICALLY A HUSK OF HER USUAL SELF..



YET HE ACTED SO HUMBLE WITH THE REEVES COMPANY!









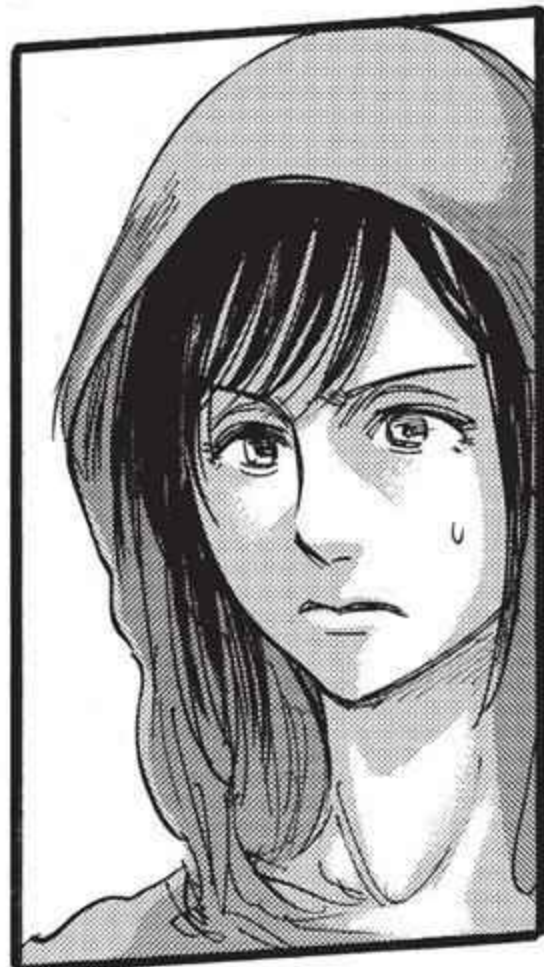
AND  
I'D  
LIKE  
ALL OF  
YOU...

...TO  
DECIDE  
NOW,  
TOO.



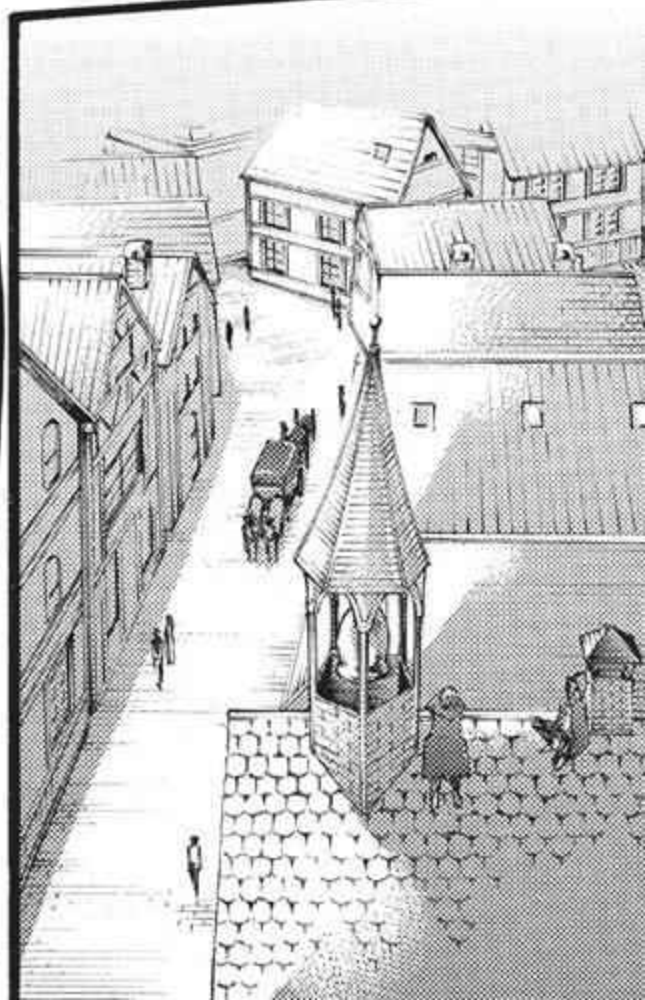
BUT I THINK  
OUR BEST  
OPTION RIGHT  
NOW WOULD  
BE TO FOLLOW  
CAPTAIN LEVI'S  
ORDERS.

I ALWAYS  
NOTICED  
THAT  
SOMETHING  
WAS OFF  
ABOUT THAT  
SHORTY...



NO  
MISTAKING  
IT...

TWO  
COFFINS...  
THEY'RE  
BEING  
LOADED  
ON A  
WAGON.







THAT'S  
THE  
FIRST  
SQUAD...

UNLESS  
THEY'RE  
NECRO-  
PHILIACS OR  
SOMETHING...

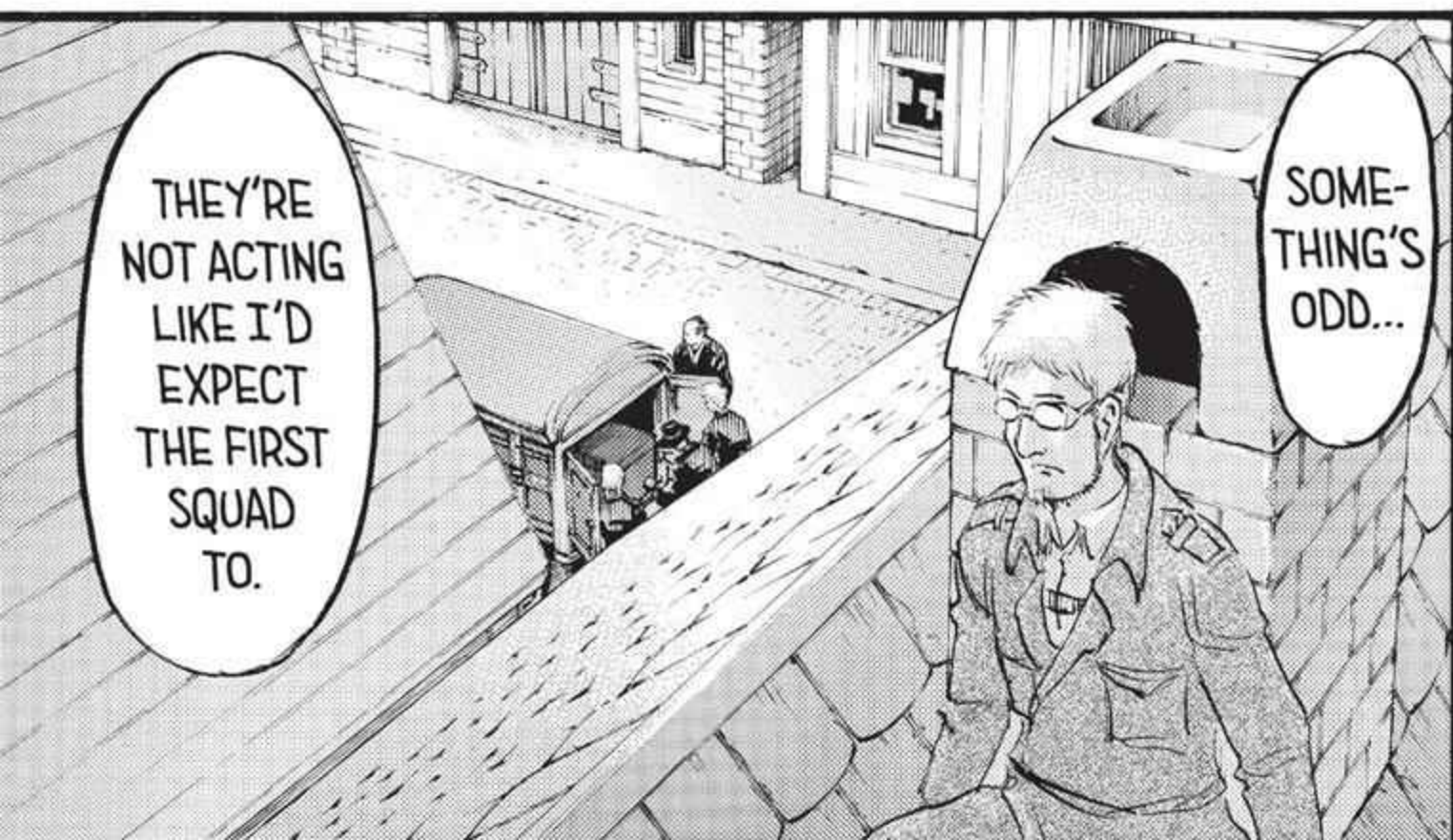


BUT THANKS TO  
YOUR PREDICTION  
THAT THEY'D COME  
THROUGH THIS  
TOWN, WE GOT  
HERE FIRST...

...WE  
ALMOST  
LOST  
THEM.



AND  
EREN  
AND  
HISTORIA  
ARE  
INSIDE  
THOSE  
COFFINS.



THEY'RE  
NOT ACTING  
LIKE I'D  
EXPECT  
THE FIRST  
SQUAD  
TO.

SOME-  
THING'S  
ODD...



...





HIM...

WELL, MAYBE MORE LIKE...



THEY TEND TO THINK LIKE M...

THE FIRST SQUAD FIGURED OUT REEVES WAS ON OUR SIDE...



HAVE YOU HEARD OF "KENNY THE RIPPER"?

HM?



HIM?



HE EXISTS. IT'S ALL TRUE.

WHAT?!

THAT'S JUST AN URBAN LEGEND FROM DECADES AGO, THOUGH.



THE ONE THEY SAY SLIT THE THROATS OF OVER A HUNDRED MPS WHO TRIED TO CAPTURE HIM...?

THE MASS MURDERER FROM THE CITY?





HUH?!  
WHAT THE  
HELL ARE  
YOU...?

I LIVED  
WITH HIM FOR A  
TIME WHEN I  
WAS A KID.



YOU KNOW,  
HE HAD A BIG  
INFLUENCE  
ON THE WAY  
I THINK...

HOW  
CAN YOU  
JOKE AROUND  
AT A TIME  
LIKE THIS,  
CAPTAIN...?



SURROUND  
THEM ON  
BOTH SIDES  
FROM  
BEHIND...



WHEN  
YOU'RE  
STALKING  
A TARGET  
AS A  
GROUP...



USING HIGH  
GROUND  
AND GOOD  
VISIBILITY-





NIFA-

BOOM

BOOM

















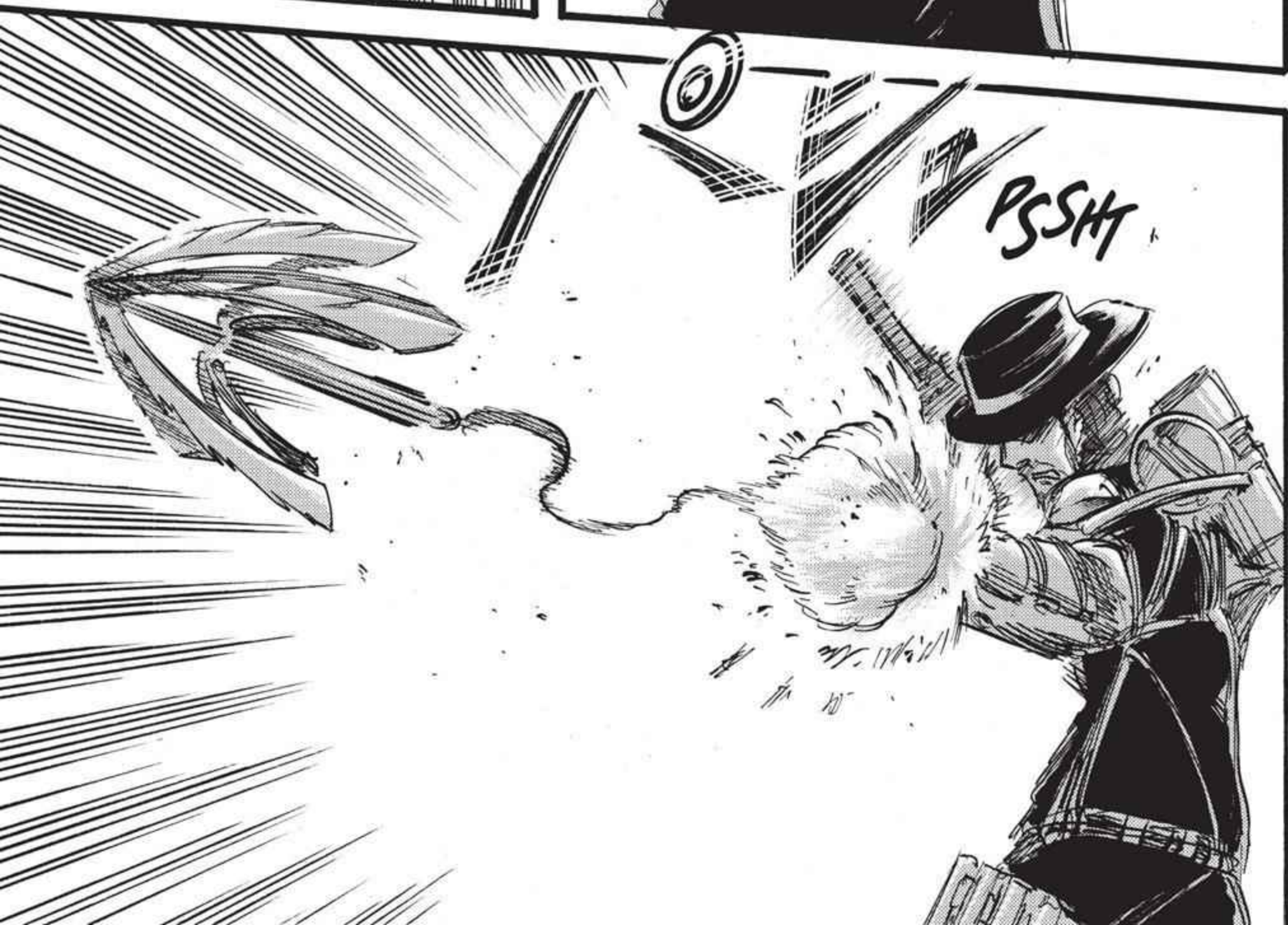
HEY,  
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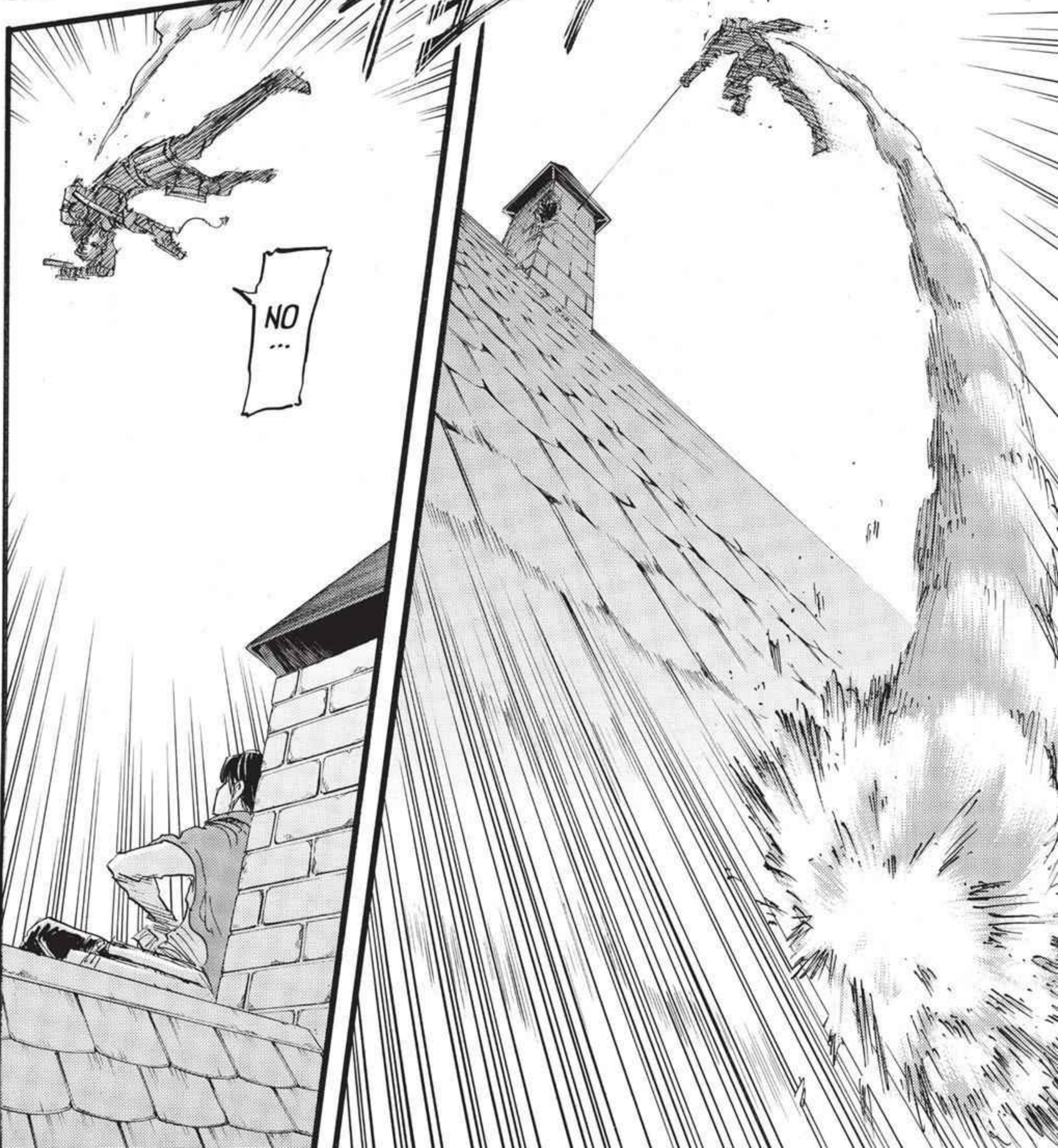
CLANG















YA  
HAVEN'T  
REALLY  
CHANGED  
MUCH,  
HAVE  
YA?!



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!!

SHINK



# ATTACK on TITAN